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#### **BLOOM FIRST SEASON.**

Abronia umbellate
Sand Verbena, rosyclusters.
Acacia lophantha speciosa.
An elegant, Fernlike
plant for a pot, or for a sheltered group outdoors.

Adonis, mixed sorts.

Ageratum, Tall varieties.

Ageratum, Tall varieties, blue, white, mixed.
Imperialis, Dwf, blue, wh'e Little Blue Star, Princess Victoria Louise
All varieties in fine mixt'e Beautiful everbloom ing plants for beds and pots. Flowers in clusters, very freely borne. Plants dense, and like hot sun. One of our best annuals.

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\*\*Agrostemma\*\* Cell-rosa\*\* White, pink, purple: I foot; fine in masses. Mixed.

\*\*Annaranthus, all sorts\*\* These are easily grown foliage and flowering plants, including Joseph's Coat, Fountain Plant, Love-lies-bleeding, Princess Feather. All the new bright sorts are also the new, bright sorts are also in my mixture.



Antir hinum, Snapdrag. on, New Orchid-flowering,

finest mixed
Tall sorts, large-flowered, finest mixed Semi-dwarf, large-flow-ered, finest mixed

varieties in splendid mixture

mixture
These are elegant, freeblooming plants, branching,
each branch bearing a long
spike of beautiful flowers,
white, rose, red, scarlet,
striped, and variegated,
splendid for beds, and also
for pots. Everybody should
have some of these improved
Snapdragons. Add it to your
order.

Little Gem, dwarf, erect Trailing Carpet, spreading Annuals that bloom from spring till winter; white, fra-grant, very profuse; fine for edgings and borders. Ambrosia Mexican, sweet Anchusa capensis, fine.

Anchusa capensis, fine.
Dropmore, large blue, fine.
Anthemis Kelwayii
Perennial, bearing a profusion of golden daisies.
Anagallis, Pimpernelle,
blue, red, lilac, searlet, mxd
Anemone, St. Brigid, mxd
Arctotis, blue, orange, mxd
Arnebia Cornuta, spotted
Argemone, wh'e, yel., mxd
Artemisia, annual, frag'nt
This is often sold as Fern
Tree. It grows readily from
seeds, and has pretty, fragrant foliage; often 6 ft. tall,
Aspervita zurea setosa
Aster, Crego Giant, mixed,
Improved Branching, mxd

Improved Branching, mxd New Hohenzollern. Early Hohenzollern, Victoria Giant,

Ostrich Feather.

Half Dwf Multiflor, Dwarf Bouquet, Chrysanthemum Dwf. Giant Comet. Yellow Quilled. Rose-flowered, Rose-flowered, Silver Cloud, white, Sada Yakko, soft rose Bedding Aster, mixed Giant Perfection, All varieties

For other kinds and ors, see Park's Floral Guide, free for the asking.



. Park:—Your Orego risworthy of high praise. flowers are marvels of ty, large, set on long

Alonsoa, finestvar, mixed Elegant pot plants, also fine for the garden; colors white, chamois, scarlet, etc.

Alyssum, Sweet, oz. 25 cts.

Little Gem, dwarf, erect

Trailing Garnet spreading



Baleam, Royal, red, rose.
Park's Camellia-flow, mxd
Prince Bismarck, salmon
Glant Blood Red, fine Dwarf, double mixed Camellia-fl, spotted, mixed

Camellia-fl, spotted, mixed All varieties, mixed O. My Balsams are all double, and of the best strains. Mr. Park:—The most beautiful Balsams I ever saw I raised from your seeds. They were a revelation of beauty to all of my friends.—Mrs. O'Rear, Fls., Nov. 4, 1914.

Rartonia aurea. golden

to all of my frienus.—mrs. O'Rear, Fla., Nov. 4, 1914.

Bartonia aurea, golden Basil, Sweet, delicious Bellis, dbl., English Daisy Monstrosa, white, rose Monstrosa, mixed The new giant Monstrosa Daisies bear immense double flowers, and are surpassingly fine. They are much larger and finer than the old sorts. Mr. Park:—Y our G iant Bellis became great clumps covered with fine large double flowers all season. They certainly yield big returns for little money and effort.—Mrs. Linford, Wyo.. Nov. 12, '14.

Bidens, New Hybrids mxd Cosmos-like flowers, pink, red, black, striped, fine in beds and for cutting.

Brachycome, Swan River Daisy New Star, white.

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Daisy New Star, white, blue, red, mixed
These lovely little annuals were used effectively for beds in Glasnevin Botanic Gardens the past summer. They ought to be better known.

Brovealita, blue, white, purple, mixed

easily grown from seeds, double, orange, sulphur sulphur striped, orange striped; single white; mxd Mr. Park:—Your Calendulas are fine—all shades of orange and yellow and striped; double flowers 21-2 inches across, blooming till winter. And from them we make the best healing salve! know of, so they are useful as well as beautiful.—Mrs. Adri an ce, Tex., Oct. 2, 1914.

Cacatia, Paint Brush, mxd Calliopsis, Double, mixed Bicolor, Dwarf, mixed New superb hybrids, mxd Golden Wave, yellow All varieties, mixed Mr. Park:—Calliopsis is a very showy annual, and a most persistent bloomer. The flowers are daisy-like, and of great persistent bloomer. The flowers are daisy-like, and of great persistent bloomer. Alice Sheffer, Mich., Oct.9, '14. Callirhae, pedata, purple Involucrata, red, trailing Both species mixed. C. Involucrata is a lovely everblooming hardy perennial, for a bed; flower cupshaped, very showy. C. Pedata is erect: blooms till winter. Calceolaria scabiosifolia, a lovely free-blooming annual; flowers primrose. Calendula grandifiora,

a lovely free-blooming annual; flowers primroseyellow. Fine for pots.



Canna, New Gladiolus-fl. Finest mixed, yellow, scar-

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Browallia, blue, white purple, mixed
Speciosa, new, large-fl, blue Easily grown flowers for beds; bloom well in winter nots.

Calandrinia, pretty annuals of Callichroa Douglassi, yel.

Finest mixed, yellow, scarlet, spotted, crimson, etc.

Mr. Park:—Iraised alot of Cannas from your seeds last summer. The plants grew four feet high and bloomed well. I had seven colors, and all beautiful. I shall keep the roots in the cellar and plant next year.—Mrs. Roed, Mich., Oct. 20, 1914.

Candytuff, hardy annuals Show in beds; white, lilao, carmine, purple, sweet scented, separate or mixed.

Capsicum, Pepper, 25 distinct fine sorts mixed. Small fancy sorts for pots for house culture, mixed. Carduus, white-vein fol'ge



Carnation, Imp. Early fl. Vanguard, double, blooming first year; white, red, yellow, striped, yellow-ground, variegated, separate or mixed.

Earliest French Giant, white, yellow, scarlet, rose, separate or mixed.

separate or mixed.
Marguerite Improved,
white, red, rose, yellow and
variegated, separate or mxd
Comtesse de Paris, yellow.
Guillaud, exquisite double,
Early-fl. Carnations mxd.
[Note.—All of my Carnation
seeds are of the finest quality. They will please you.]
My Park-my Carnations

ity, They will please you.]
Mr. Park:—My Carnations from your seeds were fine. I started the plants in the house, and bedded out in May. They soon became large, thrifty plants, with red, pink, yellow, white and yellow edged pink blossoms all over, and lasted till the ground froze.—Mrs. Schofeld, Ia., Oct. 15, 1914.
Carthamus tinctorius, Safron; golden flowers. Catchfy, pretty hardy an.

Catchfly, pretty hardy annual; rose and white; one foot high; mixed colors.

Celosia Cristata, Coxcomb Empress, crimson, for beds Dwarf mixed, extra quality

Dwarf mixed, extra quality
Thompson! mag. crimson
Magnifica, golden yellow
Magnifica, golden yellow
Magnifica, all colors mxd
" and Dwarf C. mxd
All Celosias are fine for
beds or pots, and are always
in bloom and very attractive.
The new Magnifica sorts are
especially beautiful, and the
seeds I offer are unsurpassed.
Mr. Park:—I have had
splendid success with your
Coxombs. They are drouthresisting, and when other
yards were bare and brown
mine was gorgeous with beds
of Coxcomb.—Mrs. Coates,
Tex., Oct. 6, 1914.
Centauridium Drummondil, yellow.

mondii, yellow.

on, white, flesh, carmine,

bicolor, mixed.
A lovely annual everblooming, the small flowers in big clusters, very pretty.

Cerastium Biebersteini,

silvery foliage, Daisy-like white blooms; fine edging. Cerinthe retorta, bee pl't. Chenostoma, rose, fine. Cheiranthus maritimus. fine little annual for pots or masses: mixed.

Campanula, annual, mxd
Oharming little bell-flowers, free-blooming, blue and white; fine for beds and edgings, C. procumbens is pretty for baskets.

Mr. Park:—I have a very gay border of Campanula. I would not be without its cheering influence.—Mrs. Jones, Cal.. Nov. 9, 1914.

Cannabis Gigantea, Hemp Canstoum. Peppers. 25

Complete mixture. all sorts

Complete mixture. I do the single-flowered were as much admired as the rest. Everyone enjoyed the fun of Nana Compacta, blue, white, rose, varie. Is as much admired as the rest. Everyone enjoyed the fun of Nana Compacta, blue, white, rose, varie. Is as much admired as the rest. Everyone enjoyed the fun of Nana Compacta, blue, white, rose, varie. Is as much admired as the rest. Everyone enjoyed the fun of Nana Compacta, blue, white, rose, varie. Is as much admired as the rest. Everyone enjoyed the fun of Nana Compacta, blue, white, rose, varie. Is as much admired as the rest. Everyone enjoyed the fun of Nana Compacta, blue, white, rose, varie. Is as much admired as the rest. Euchen.—Mrs. Jones, King of Blue bottles, fine for cutting.

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Complete mixture, all sorts. Few flowers are finer for bouquets, or last better than Centauress. C. Cyanus, double blue, is exquisite and can be worn in the buttonhole a day without wilting. All are

day without wilting. All are showy in the garden.
Mr. Park:—Centaures odorata is beautiful, and the flowers are among the best for cutting. If freely cut the plants bloom for a long time.—Mrs. Chapman, Ill., Oct. 1914. Chrysanthem um, annual mixed.

nual, mixed Carinatum, double, white ellow, purple, scarlet, mxd Hybridum fimbriatum,

double, mixed Coronarium, double, mxd

New Dwarf
Northern Star, Giant, white
Inodorum, Bridal Robe, wh Frutescens, white, yel, mxd Frutescens, white, yel, mxd Mr. Fark: — My Annual Chrysanthemums were very pretty, blooming from June tillafter froets; colors white, yellow, gold-centered, etc.; a beautiful border for the hardy 'Mums.—Mrs. Barley, Ky., Oct. 19, 1914.

Clarkia, Elegans, double, white, rose, salmon, purple, striped, mixed

striped, mixed

striped, mixed
Pulchella, double, white,
red, margined, mixed.
All the above mixed.
Mr. Park:—What a delightful surprise your Clarkias
were to me last summer. It
was my first experience with
them, but hereafter I shall them, but hereafter I shall not consider my garden complete without them.—Mrs. Turner, Minn., Oct. 28, 1914. Cleome glgantea, carmine.

Spider-flower; 3 feet tall, branching and covered with

showy, white, Electric Light, mixed; spikes till frost. Clintonia, blue, white, mxd



Collinsia, lovely annuals with whorls of white, purple, carmine, variegated, mixed. Collomia coccinea, scarlet Cosmidium, velvety bro'n Crepis, double, pink, white, yellow, mixed; showy Cuphen, the species mxd

Cynoglossum, blue, mxd. Dahlia, Double mixed

Juarezii and Lilliput, mxd Gloria, semi-double, "Single Giant, Cactus sorts. Margined and striped

Coronata, sweet-scented Collar or Ruffled

Collar or Ruffled
Tom Thumb, mixed
All, single and double, mxd
Mr. Park:—Last March I
started a packet of seeds of
rour Dahlias in the house,
and had 18 plants. All but
two bloomed, and all were
worth keeping One was a
soft pink Cactus sort; one
bright red was 5 in. across;
another had twisted petals;

blooming annuals, six in. high; flowers white and rich blue; very pretty

Fedia cornucopiæ, a pretty little annual; corymbs of red flowers

Fenzlia Dianthiflora, mxd; lovely rose, white and pink flowers in great profusion.



Gaillardia, Picta, mixed Lorenziana, double, mixed Grandiflora, large, mixed

New Compact, mixed Beautiful garden flowers after severe frosts; showy in beds, and fine for cutting. G. grandiflora is a hardy peren-

beds, and fine for cutting. Grandiflora is a hardy perennial, but blooms freely the first season.

Mr. Park:—I want to tell you of my success with your Gaillardias. The bed was a most dazzling corner in my flower garden. The flowers are always so bright and showy, and of so many harmonious colors.—Mrs. Jones, Calif., Nov. 9, 1914.

Gillar, lovely little annuals, freely in clusters all season. White, blue, rose, violet, separate or mixed. Glauctium, Burbank and mixed, a foot high, with pretty follage and large showy red-blotched flo'rs. Godetia, superb bedding annuals, the flowers large, often spotted and blotched often spotted and blotched

and of the finest colors, as white, rose, carmine, single and double. Mixed.

\*\*Melianthius\*\*, Sunflower, new large-flowered Red, also Double Green-centered, Fistulesa, Arboreus giganteus, Uniflorus and Dwarf Variegated. Separate or mixed.

\*\*Melianthius\*\*, Sunflower, small-flowered, Cucumerifolius, Argophyllus, Diadem, Stella, and new Red and shaded. Separate or mixed. white, rose, carmine, sin-

mixed.

mixed.

Hibiscus, New Sunset, 6 feet tall, with big Hollyhock-like golden flowers with dark eye. I also have H. Trionum, H. Mehanit, mixed, and H. Moscheutos.

Hebenstreitia, new African Mignonetie, a pretty, free-blooming hardy annual; flowers white, in spikes, scented.

Ice Plant, an odd, icy plant for pots or beds; also mixed varieties of Mesembryanthemum.

Jonopsidium Acaule.

Jonopsidium Acaule. Diamond flower, a pretty creeping annual for car-peting the soil in pots.

Kochia Scoparia, Summer Cypress, an elegant fine-foliage annual, turning crimson in autumn.

Kaulfussia, 1 foot high, bearing blue, rose and vio-let flowers; mixed. Kenilworth Ivy, a hand-

sometraling perennial for carpeting shady ground or for bracket pots or baskets; grows well in dense shade.

Lavandula vera, the well-brown Lavender: delicit

known Lavender; deliciously scented foliage; hardy.

Lavatera trimestris.

"Dwarf Hollyhock," two feet high, branching, and covered all autumn with showy white and rose flowers; makes a fine bed or

hedge; mixed.

Leptosiphon, very profuse blooming, low, dense
annuals, exquisite for beds or border; yellow. rose, carmine, white, scarlet, separate or mixed

mpatiens, new African Balsams, beautiful everbaisams, beautiful ever blooming plants for beds or pots; bloom freely all the season outdoors, and unsurpassed for winter blooming in the window: flowers white, rose.purple. scarlet, salmon, crimson striped, eyed, etc.: sepa-rate or mixed.

rate or mixed.

Linears grandiflorum,
Scarlet Flax. a very attractive annual: one foot
high, masses of waving
bloom; rose and red. mxd. Lupinus, annuals of great beauty, blooming in spikes all summer; flowers Pea-like, white, blue violet,

scarlet, mixed.

Linaria, annuals of the easiest culture, bearing terminal clusters of white violet, purple, yellow and striped Snapdragon-like

flowers; charming Mixed.

Lyohnis Chalcedonica. a
foot high, bearing heads
of rich scarlet and white flowers; blooms first year

and for several years after. Mixed.

Lychnts Haageana, seven inches; flowers very largerich vermilton and other colors, mixed. Also I offer a mixture of many sorts.

Labelia Hamburgia, an exquisite plant for hanging baskets and pots; flow ers blue with white eye. Also L. Speciosa and Bar-nard's Perpetual, fine for baskets.

basses.

Lobelia compacta, Snowball, becoming a ball of
white bloom, and L pumila splendens, rich blue,
good for edgings and pots,



Marigota French, double, tall, all colors, finest mixed. French, double, dwarf, all

colors, mixed. rench Liliput, small flowered, mixed. French French single, all colors,

finest mixed. African, double, tall sorts, finest mixed.

African, double dwarf, all colors, finest mixture.
Lucida, yellow, very sweet scented, in clusters.

Marigold, (continued). Signata pumila, dwarf, bushy, becoming a gold-en mass of bloom.

Malva crispa, often 10 feet high, one erect stalk, clothed with fringed leaves and retaining its beauty snow flies.

Malope grandiflora, hardy, one foot, showy rose, red and white blooms.

Martynia Fragrans, crim-son, Gloxinia-like bloom upon a strong, spreading plant 2 feet high. Proboscidea, lavender,

spotted flowers, succeeded by claw-like pods that are used for pickles when young.

Matricaria Capensis fl.

pl., double pure white Feverfew; free-blooming, splendid.

Golden Ball, double: a mass of golden buttons.
Silver Ball, double, a globular mass of white

bloom,
All sorts, double, Mixed,
Matthiola, Evening
Stock, Bicornis and Tricuspidate, not show, but the flowers deliciously sweet-scented.

Moluccella, Shell Flower, 2 ft. bell-flower, mixed. Mimulus, Monkey Flower. exquisite large spotted flowers in profusion; single and double mixed. Musk Plant, golden, muskscented, fine.



Mignonette, Sweet, quisitely scented spikes of bloom; yellow, red and white, finest mixed. Mirabilis, Four-o'clock,

tall, white, yellow, crimson, lilac, violet, tricolor, etc., separate or mixed.

Dwarf, variegated-leaved sorts, in all colors, separate or mixed.

Myosotis, Forget-me-not, charming little flower, blue, white, rose, in clusters: mixed.

ters; mixed.

Nemesia, new Strumosa,
beautiful varieties, carmine, scarlet, cream,
orange, spotted, mixed.

Nemophila, beautiful
hardy annuals, the bright
flowers, white, blue, and

flowers white, blue and variegated, blooming freely all summer; mixed.

Nicotiana affinis, white,
two feet tall, free and continuous-blooming, delici-ously sweet-scented in the

evening, and quite showy. Sanderæ, a new, very beau-tiful sort, fine for beds or pots, flowers of many rich colors, and open in day-time. Mixed.

day-time. Mixed.

Nicandra Physaloides.

Shoefly plant.

Nierembergia, Frutescens and Gracilis, fine for pots; very free-blooming;

annuals; flowers clustered,

very fragrant; mixed. Obeliscaria, drooping. blotched golden rays, cone

center.

Enothera, Evening
Primrose, lovely cup-shaped fragrant flowers; very

showy; mixed.

Oxalis, pretty edging and basket plants; pink, rose, white, mixed.



Pansy, Romer's Giant, a grand strain of German Pansies, immense in ransies, immense in size, rich colors, profusion of bloom and sturdy, free growth. Mixed. Pansy, Orchid-flowering, charming varieties in form

and chaste colors; beautiful: mixed.

Pansy, Brown's Giant, a very superior American strain; mammoth flowers, exquisite in color and

variegation; mixed.

Petunia, Park's Mammoth, single and double, finest strain, all varieties, mixed. I can also supply the Plain and Fringed and

Double separately.

Petunia, New Magnifica,
the finest dwarf bedding sorts, very free-blooming and make a gorgeous bed of the finest colors and variegations; mixed.

Petunia, Medium flow-ered Double, mixed colors, splendid varieties, easily grown; mixed.

Phlox Drummondii, large-

flowered sorts in finest mixture; splendid for beds, blooming all sum-mer. Hortensizeflora mixed; Cuspidate and Fringed, mixed; Semidouble, mixed; and Dwarf Compact, mixed. See Park's Floral Guide.

Poppy, annual, Park's Giant Carnation-flowered. a splendid race, three feet high, bearing huge, feath-ery, globular flowers, of a wonderful variety of colors and variegations. Mxd. Pæony-flowered, very large, beautiful, double flowers of many rich

colors; mixed.
Cardinal Poppy, 18 inches; elegant fringed flowers: finest mixed colors.

Poppy, Shirley, exquisite single flowers in the finest single flowers in the finest colors, with yellow stam-ens. Mixed. I also have New Dwarf Shirley, mixed. Polygonum Orientalis, 6 feet high tree-like; flowers to like dwarfer white tail-like, drooping, white and carmine, mixed. I can also supply dwarf

Ricinus, Castor Oil Bean, tall, beautiful ornamentalleaved plants, elegant a bed or screen. Arboreus, 15 feet; Gibsoni, red, 5 feet; Sanguineus, 8 feet; Zanzibariensis mixed, 6

feet; all kinds mixed, of feet; all kinds mixed.

Rudbeckia, splendid hardy perennials blooming first season; fall-blooming; glorious in a bod. Normanii rullar a bed. Newmanii, yellow, 2 feet; Sullivanti, golden, 3 feet; Bicolor, semiplena, yellow. 2 feet; all kinds Also Purpurea, mixed. purplish crimson, fine. alvia Splendens, ever-

alva Splendens, ever-blooming plants easily grown from seeds; daz-zling scarlet, very showy, unsurpassed for beds or pots. Grandiflora, large, scarlet; Giant Scarlet, four feet: Zurich, Bonfire, 2 feet mixed.

feet, mixed.

feet, mixed.

Salvia Coccinea nana compacta, a fine sort for pots, rich scarlet, free-blooming and handsome. Patens, blue; Sclarea, flesh; Azu-rea grandiflora, azure; mixed: Roemeriana, red; mixed.

salpiglossis, New Emperor, elegant Petunia-like flowers upon erect, branching plants; very rich colored, yellow, rose, blue, violet, all penciled; finest strain; separate or mixed. Also new defense. mixed. Also new dwf.mxd cabiosa, Mourning Bride, a fine annual 3 feet high; flowers double, from white to red and blue and black, borne on long stems all season, showy in the garden and fine for cutting. Separate or mixed. I can also supply dwarf, 1 foot high, fine for window pots or beds. Mixed.

pots or beds. Mixed. Senecio elegans, beautiful bedding annuals, double, free-blooming, 9 inches high; white, rose, blue, yellow, violet, etc. Mixed. Sanvitalia procumbens fi. pl., creeping; flowers double, golden yellow, produced all season. Saponaria calabrica, very pretty. profuse-blooming.

pretty, profuse blooming, bright flowered annuals; mixed colors.



chizanthus, new large flowered hybrids; elegant flowered hybrids; elegant varieties; two feet high, bushy, covered with lovely fairy-like flowers of various colors; splendid, Mixed. Also Wisetonensis excelsior, the improved beautiful new Butterfly Flower for pots. Mixed.

Nigella, Love-in-a-Mist, blue and white, double; Miss Jekyll, rich blue, double; all mixed, Molana, trailing annuals, fine for baskets; flowers bell-shape, white, blue, violet, mixed.

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Nolana, trailing annuals, fine for baskets; flowers bell-shape, white, blue, violet, mixed.

Nolana, trailing annuals, fine for baskets; flowers bell-shape, white, blue, violet, simple mixed, also double mixed, also double mixed, also striped, red, black, etc.

striped, red, black, etc.
All sorts mixed.
Silene pendula, finest
dwarf, double flowered sorts; appear like cushions of exquisite bloom; fine for edging and beds, Mxd.

Sedum corruleum, stone crop, very pretty.

Sphenogyne speciosa. Daisy-like flowers in fine yellow shades; free-bloom-ing, fine for beds. Yen Weeks Stocks, al-

most perfect annuals; easily grown, free and continuous-blooming, fine in texture, rich in color, deliciously scented, double as a Rose, and borne in spikes. Everybody should grow them. spikes. Everybody should grow them. New Mam-moth, 3 feet, mixed; Dwarf German, 1 foot, mixed: Giant of Nice, 2 feet, mxd;

German, I foot, mixed; Giant of Nice, 2 feet, mxd; Dwarf Bouquet, 1 foot, mixed; Giant Perfection, 2 feet, mixed. All varieties mixed. For others see Park's Floral Guide, p. 35.

Tropeolum, T. Thumb, 9 inches high, very showy, beautiful Nasturtiums, excellent for beds and for pots and for cutting. Yellow, crimson, scarlet, orange, blotched, rose, cæruleus, etc. Separate or mixed. I can also supply T. Lilliput, the new miniature-flowered Nasturfium in leading colors and mixed.



Verbena, Large-flowered. Fragrant. These start readily from seeds, soon begin to bloom, and are showy till after frost. The many-colored flowers in clusters are fragrant and beautiful; fine for beds and pots. Choice hybrids mixed; Mammoth mixed; Compact mixed; all sorts

mixed.

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OLD MAN CACTUS.

Poems, and sometimes other articles and letters about plants. It is certainly a great little helper. We both like flowers of all kinds, Mother has many of both house and outdoor plants. A few months ago I started a Cactus collection, and now I have over forty kinds. I am sixteen years old and will be a Junior at High School in September. I like my school work immensely, and I do not know what I would do if I had to wait much longer for school to begin. I am a student at the Los Angeles Polytechnic High School. Last Septem-

ber there were over 900 boys and over 600 girls enrolled there. I will exchange postcards and letters with boys and girls of my age.

Agnes Specht.

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 13, 1915.

Dear Mr. Park:-I am a farmer's daughter and live on a farm of 160 acres, seven miles from town. I think farm life is far ahead of town life. I enjoy reading your Magazine, though I have not taken it long. We raised some flowers this year, and I really have no favorite, as I love all flowers. I would enjoy corresponding with the boys and girls of your Magazine, and will answer all letters and postcards received. Miss G. M. Hertzler.

Cordell, Okla., Dec. 7, 1915.

Dear Mr. Park:—I have been a silent reader of your little Magazine for over a year. I like it very much, especially the Children's Corner and Floral Poetry. I am seventeen years of age and live on a farm of 40 acres, about five miles from town, and I like farm life very much. The school is just a half-mile from here. I am a great lover of birds and flowers, and my favorite flowers are Dahlias and Roses. I would like to see published in the Magazine the songs, "The Baggage Coach Ahead" and "Meet Me by the Moonlight Alone." Grandin, Mo., Dec. 9, 1915. Gertie Brooks.



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#### RECIPROCITY.

The beauty of a flower,
Produced by sun and shower,
Kindles the dying embers
And brings us back to God.
For God sends us the showers
That we may have the flowers,
And should we not for love,
Bring back our souls to God!

Easton, Pa.

D. B. Nevin.

#### MIMULUS LUTEUS.

HEN IN the Kew Gardens near London, England, some months ago, I was particularly pleased with a patch of Mimulus luteus that occupied an artificial bog near the path through the rockery.

The flowers were pure yellow with brown spots, and so freely produced as to make an attractive display. The exuberant moisture in the soil and atmosphere seemed to just suit the plants, and they were growing and blooming luxuriantly.

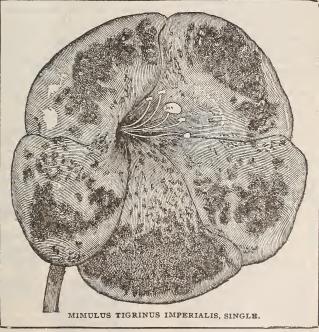
The various species of Mimulus are classed as hardy annuals, half-hardy herbaceous perennials and hardy herbaceous perennials. Mimulus luteus, above referred to, belongs to the hardy herbace-

ous section, and was introduced from Chili in 1826. This species, crossed with other forms, as M. luteus variegatus and M. luteus guttatus, secured for us the beautiful varieties now catalogued as Tigrinus in many varieties, single as well as duplex in form. Tigrinus imperialis has very large and beautiful flowers, single or double, and one of the single form is shown in the accompanying illustration. Another race of Mimulus luteus is classed as M. Cupreus, which has copper-colored, purplish brown or crimson flowers, and from which many very beautiful kinds have originated. This Mimulus is also a native of Chili, and quite hardy.

Mimulus cardinalis is a species from California growing from one to three feet high, and bearing scarlet, orange and rose spotted flowers. Mimulus moschatus is a native species found in our northwestern States. It is a hardy perennial, with pubescent stems and leaves, and small, yellow, fragrant flowers produced freely and continuously throughout sum-

mer and autumn.

All of the cultivated Mimulus like a moist, sandy. porous soil. They are elegant pot or basket plants, and do well bedded out. where the soil is rather wet, sandy, and partially shaded and protected from wind. The seeds are small, and must be sown inpressed furrows without covering. Keep the soil moist and out of sunlight until the plants appear, and then gradually



move them to the sun's rays. They delight in a cool, moist atmosphere, however, and should not be subjected to direct summer sunlight during midday. The young plants soon come into bloom, and will flower until exhausted. Blooming may be prolonged by preventing seeding.

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#### FEBRUARY, 1916.

Amaryllis Blight. — An Amaryllis plant that is grown in porous, sandy, well-drained soil is not liable to blight unless the bulb is not sufficiently rooted. As a rule, blight on buds is due to insufficient roots. It is exceedingly rare for the Amaryllis Aigberth or Amaryllis Johnsonii to blight. The buds almost invariably develop into large, handsome flowers.

Damping Off.—Coleus and other plants are liable to damp off at the roots when kept too moist and in an ill-ventilated window. Sudden changes of temperature also promote the disease. To avoid this trouble place a dressing of sand over the surface, incorporated with some time and sulphur, and stir the surface frequently. The damping off is caused by a little fungus which forms a web over the soil. By running a knife through the soil and lifting, you will see this web, and thus remove it.

Christmas Cactus.—A subscriber in New Mexico complains that many of the buds fall from her Christmas Cactus before develop-



ing. It may be that the plant has become root-bound, and that water is supplied too freely to it. Under such conditions the soil becomes sour, and it is not uncommon for the buds to

drop off, or even for the whole plant to rot off at the roots and die. A Christmas Cactus blooms more freely when root-bound, but water should be supplied sparingly. An occasional watering with weak lime water will be of benefit, as this will correct any acidity which may appear in the soil. In summer this Cactus can be plunged outdoors in a sunny situation and given but little attention. If the season is not too dry to wilt the plant, the buds will form in great abundance during autumn, and the plant will be all the handsomer during the holiday season when the buds are fully developed.

#### TRITOMAS.

HE TRITOMA is a beautiful herbaceous perennial belonging to the Lily family, introduced from South Africa. It is hardy as far north as New York, and with protection may be grown anywhere in the United States. There are a number of varieties of Tritoma Uvaria, some of which are early-

blooming and more dwarf in stature. The variety known as MacOwani is one of the most showy and beautiful, the long orange-scarlet heads being borne on stems two feet or more in height, and lasting for a long time. The plants throw up numerous heads of bloom successively, and the



display is thus continued throughout the late summer and autumn months. Propagation is readily effected by seeds, and the seedling plants will bloom in three or four years after they are started. The plants may also be increased by division, as an old plant soon stools out and forms a large clump. They do well in a deep, rich, moist, tenacious soil, and when once established the plants will almost take care of themselves and make a fine display every autumn. On account of the showy flame-color of the flowers at the summit of a long scape, the plant is sometimes known as Redhot Poker. It is a perennial that should be better known.

**Sowing Tulip Seeds.**—The best time to plant Tulip seeds is just after they have ripened and partially dried. The little plants will then quickly appear, and with some protection during winter will live and grow freely the following year. The soil should be sandy and well-drained, and the plants encouraged to grow. They will become of blooming size in three or four years.

Heliotrope.—The most healthy and vigorous plants of Heliotrope are raised from



seeds. The seeds should be started in early spring and the plants set out in full sunshine in a rather sandy soil as soon as danger from frost is past. Here they will soon begin

blooming and continue in bloom throughout the season. Plants that are tardy about blooming should be fertilized with bonedust or phosphate, being careful not to apply in such quantities as to injure the plants.

#### PERENNIAL ASTER.

## HE PERENNIAL ASTER is a hardy, fall-blooming plant, some species bearing flowers early in autumn, and others developing their flowers after frost appears. The plants like a moist, shady situation, and the single bluish or purplish flowers are produced in great profusion upon branching plants



that grow several feet in height. Some of the introduced species are of a dwarf habit, and show flowers of various colors, from white to crimson and dark blue. None are handsomer, however, than our native species found growing

and blooming in the forests and along streams. The plants are easily grown from seeds, and if started early in spring will become of blooming size by autumn, and will bloom more or less the first season.

Mildew.—This is a fungus that appears upon the foliage of Roses and other plants as a white dust. In the greenhouse it is easily kept down by whitewashing the pipes with lime and sulphur. When it appears in the plant window, remove and burn any affected leaves and dust the remaining foliage with lime and sulphur, applying with a dust bag. Do not let the sun shine upon the foliage while the material is upon it.

Yellow Sweet Peas.—A subscriber in Iowa wants to know if there is a pure yellow Sweet Pea. She has ordered seeds of yellow varieties from different sources, and has not been able to raise a yellow-flowered plant as yet. The truth is that there are no yellow-flowered varieties of Sweet Pea in cultivation. Some appear of a creamy tint, but the variety with golden-yellow flowers has yet to be introduced.

**Kenilworth Ivy.**—What is generally known as Kenilworth Ivy is Linaria Cymbalaria, a creeping or drooping vine excellent for



carpeting a Gladiolus bed or for a basket plant in a shady window. The plant thrives in a dense shade, even where direct sunshine never comes. The foliage is very graceful and pretty, and at times the plant is cov-

ered with small, pinkish flowers that add to its appearance. It thrives in a sandy and well-drained soil and in a sheltered place outdoors. It is easily propagated from seeds and cuttings. The new Globosa variety becomes a globular plant covered with bloom. It is a fine pot plant, but for a bracket pot or hanging basket the old-fashioned form is preferable.

#### HYDRANGEA BLIGHT.

HERE HAS been some complaint of Hydrangea paniculata and Hydrangea arborescens blighting, or their leaves turning brown and dropping off toward midsummer. It is possible that the foliage was infested with red spider, a mite which usually works upon the under side of the leaves, spinning a very fine web and causing the leaves to curl, turn brown and drop off. The pests may be overcome by cutting the tops of the plants off within six inches of the ground, thus deferring the growth for a week or ten days, and promoting the development of young, vigorous shoots with heavy foliage that is not so easily preyed upon by the pest. By removing the tops, too, the mites that are hiding about the buds and bark will be destroyed, and the few that may attack the young growth will not effect serious injury. When plants are badly infested the leaves should be stripped off and burned, and the stems sponged with warm soap-suds to which a little coal oil has been added. When but slightly affected, spraying with lime-sulphur solution, one part to fifteen parts water, the material reaching both sides of the leaves, will be found an effectual remedy.

Geraniums in the Window.— When Geraniums are propagated from cuttings during midsummer and the plants grown in

pots, if of dwarf, freeblooming varieties, they will be ready to bloom, and will bloom, during the wintermonths. They must, however, have a southern exposure, and a rather cool, moist atmosphere to bloom satisfactorily in the window. By giving proper attention to



watering, fertilizing and keeping the soil loose the plants will continue blooming throughout the spring and early summer months. Indeed, if shifted into the garden beds on the approach of summer, they will bloom throughout the season uninterruptedly.

Roses Not Blooming.—When a Rosebush fails to bloom and seems in a sickly condition, cut away the sickly or dead branches and stir some bonedust into the soil about the roots. When Roses are grown in a shady place, or when the soil about the plant becomes sour, the buds are liable to blast, and what flowers do open are often inferior. If bonedust cannot be obtained, apply a dressing of fresh lime instead. Either of these materials will sweeten the soil and put it into good condition for the development of the growth and bloom.

To Prevent Aphis.—Plants that are subject to Aphis will not be attacked by that pest if tobacco stems are chopped up and placed over the surface soil. If the young plants are already affected, sprinkle tobacco dust over the foliage and upon the under side as well.

#### PALM LEAVES TURNING BROWN.

ALM TREES like a very sandy, well-drained soil, and thrive in a warm, moist atmosphere. When the soil is tenacious and the drainage insufficient, so that a surplus of moisture stands about the roots, the soil will become sour, and the leaves will turn brown and eventually die. The dry, hot atmos-



phere of a warm room will also cause the trouble. To keep the plants healthy see that the soil is sandy and well-drained, and that the plants are not root-bound. In shifting a plant use a pot two sizes larger than the one in which it is growing,

and firm the soil around the ball of earth with a lath. As a rule, a Palm will thrive better if the pot is placed inside a larger pot with Sphagnum Moss between, so as to retain an even amount of moisture about the roots. Some Sphagnum Moss may also be placed over the surface soil to prevent rapid evaporation, and to moisten the atmosphere about the leaves. In winter give the plant a rather cool temperature, water sparingly, and sponge off the leaves occasionally. In summer set the plant on the south or east porch, where it will be protected from winds, but be fully exposed to the air and morning sunshine. With this simple treatment the hardier of the Palms may be successfully cultivated in the house.

French Buttercups.—These may be planted in a sandy soil in a pot late in winter or early in spring, and the plants will come into bloom before the hot weather appears, which is detrimental to their perfect development. Avoid watering the soil freely until growth begins and the clumps of tubers begin to push up stems and foliage.

**Non-Blooming Cyclamen.**—Occasionally a Cyclamen plant will retain its foliage in good condition without showing flower buds.

This is mostly due to keeping the plant in an atmosphere too dry and warm for it, and at times allowing the soil to partially dry out, a condition that is very detrimental to the growth and bloom of the Cyclamen. When you have a refractory plant set the pot inside of a larger pot and place some Sphagnum Moss



CYCLAMEN IN BLOOM.

between, and over the soil. This will prevent rapid evaporation, promote a moist atmosphere, and by setting the plant near to the glass in a window with a southern exposure an abundance of buds and flowers will soon make their appearance.

#### BRUGMANSIA SUAVEOLENS.

HIS PLANT is popular as a decorative plant in Mexico, where it thrives in outdoor beds in full sunshine. At the North the plant is grown in a large pot or tub, and can be bedded out or plunged in a protected sunny exposure during the summer

season. Here it will grow and develop, and is covered almost continuous ly with its large, white, drooping, fragrant flowers, often six or eight inchesin length and five or six inches in diameter at the open end of trumpet. It is easily started from cut-



tings, and can be kept over winter in any plant room. In the greenhouse it continues to bloom throughout the winter as well as in the summer.

Euphorbia Jacquinaeflora. -This is a rare, though beautiful, blooming greenhouse plant of easy culture. The branches under favorable conditions are vigorous and thickly set with leaves and prickles. When the blooming time comes these branches become wreaths of lovely orange-scarlet flowers, and when trained upon a trellis or to a string the display is very pleasing and attractive. plants require about the same attention as would be given to a Geranium. If a large, vigorous plant is preferred, shift it into a larger vessel as the plant grows. It is readily propagated by cuttings placed in moist sand. The plant is a native of Mexico, and its natural blooming period is the winter season.

**Toads.**—These, as well as frogs, are the gardener's friends, and should be encouraged to stay among the plants. In the greenhouse, where there is a pool of water or a pond, it is not difficult to keep them contented. Where there is a stream running through a garden, they can be retained without effort. They are fond of water, however, and will often seek a pond or stream outside the garden, if not inside. They are of such habits that it is almost impossible to confine them where conditions are unfavorable. In the greenhouse they do not go into hiding in winter, but remain and sing, more or less, throughout the winter months.

**Scale on Asparagus.**—An insect known as White Scale sometimes attacks species of Asparagus. When so attacked spray with lime-sulphur solution, one part to fifteen parts water. Two or three applications of this remedy will eradicate the pest.

#### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Winter Blooming.-Mr. Park: Please tell me how to make my house plants bloom in the window during winter.-Mrs. Chenoweth, Ind., Dec., 1915.



ABUTILON.

Answer.-Give your plants a window with a southern exposure, where they will get the warm sunshine during the greater part of the day. Keep the atmosphere moist by placing open pans of water upon the stove or register for evaporation. Have an even temperature in the room of from 50 degrees at night to 70 degrees in daytime, and grow such plants as Abutilon Mesopotamicum, Begonia Erfordii, Lantana delicatessima, Crassula cordata, Lopesia rosea, Browallia elata, Eranthemum

pulchellum, Peristrophe angustifolia, and Thun-bergia alata, a trellis vine. These plants should be started in summer and shifted into larger pots as they grow, so that they will be in good blooming condition by the time winter sets in. They are all of easy culture, and sure to bloom under the conditions advised.

Fiber for Bulbs. — Mr. Park: Do bulbs bloom sooner when planted in fiber, such as 1s advertised, than in garden soil?—E. Howard, Wis.

Ans.—The early-flowering bulbs, such as Hyacinth, Narcissus and Crocus, may bloom a little earlier if grown in fiber, but the difference would be hardly worth considering. The soil for all bulbs grown in pots should be very sandy, somewhat fibrous and well-drained. Where such soil can be obtained it will develop the flowers quite as satisfactorily as in the fiber usually sold for greenhouse use.

Narcissus Not Starting.—Mr. Park: I potted several bulbs of Narcissus last fall, watering well when potted, and then only applying water two or three times later, as the directions stated. They did not send down a root nor throw up a sprout, neither did they rot. What was the cause?—E. Howard, Wis.

Ans.—Narcissus and other hardy bulbs will often fail to throw out roots promptly, if potted



late in the season and kept in a rather warm place. Perhaps the best success with hardy bulbs can be secured by setting the pots at the south side of a wall or building after the bulbs are potted and watered, then covering over with coal ashes to the depth of six or eight inches, and allowing

them to remain in this situation for six or eight weeks, or until the pots are filled with roots. In the far South, where frost rarely comes, well-rooted bulbs can be secured by setting the pots in a shady place, covering deeply with leaves and rubbish, and keeping well watered.

The hardy bulbs naturally form roots during the moist, open weather of winter, but often repel the heat and dryness of the house, closet or warm artificially-heated room.

Narcissus Roots Rotting.—Mr. Park: I placed my bulbs of Paper White Narcissus in a small glass dish with some coarse sand in the bottom and surrounded with shells and pebbles. I put just enough water in to cover the roots. They did fine for two weeks and then the roots rotted. What was for two weeks and then the roots rotted. the cause?—M. Mayer, Wyo., Nov. 21, 1915

Ans.-It is possible that the bases of the bulbs were immersed in the water, causing the roots to decay at the base where they issue. In placing bulbs to grow in water the base should be near to the water, but not touching it. If the glass is clear, it is always well to envelop it in dark paper or crepe paper, which will obstruct the sunlight.

Passion Vine.—Mr. Park: The leaves of my Passion Vine are affected by a blight. Please tell me through the Magazine the cause and remedy.—Helen R. Coggeshall, Mass.

Ans.—It is not common for the Passion Vine to be affected by a blight. It is more likely that it has been attacked by red spider, which will cause the leaves to turn brown and drop. If the plant should be troubled either by blight or spider, gather the affected leaves and burn them, then spray the remaining foliage with lime-sulphur solution in the proportion of one part solution to 15 parts water. Add a little bit of fresh lime to give the material a whitish cast when applied. If the spraying is thoroughly done, it will be found a remedy for either blight or red spider.

Plant Room.—Mr. Park: I have a nice porch 8x12 feet facing the south and opening into my dining room. It is between two rooms, and I can have a glass front and thus provide a frost-proof plant-room with sunshine several hours every day. Would it not be better for the plants if I lined the back and sides with white building paper, and would it be safe to turn my canary loose among the plants?—Mrs. Haves. California Hayes, California.

Ans.—The plant-room ought to grow a vari-

ety of handsome specimens, such as Palms, Norfolk Pine, Crotons, and Rubber Plants, as well as a variety of blooming shrubs, such as Abutilon, Hibiscus Sinensis, Acalypha, and also such vines as



HIBISCUS SINENSIS.

Passiflora Pfordti, Thunbergia alata and Thunbergia grandiflora, also Ipomœa grandiflora. If the sides and back are weather-boarded simply give a coat of white paint, which is preferable to using building paper. Of course, the lighter the room is the better will it be for the plants. The temperature of such a room could be readily provided for by a small coal-oil stove or lantern, the light being manipulated to secure the temperature desired. A canary bird could be given liberty in such a plant-room without detriment to the plants.

## CHILDREN'S LETTER



EAR CHILDREN: Last month I mentioned the little Sap Sucker bird with redcrowned cap, white vest, and gray and white speckled coat. But do you know how it got the name of Sap Sucker? Well, if you had seen it at work three years ago upon the big Alder (labelled Alnus glutinosa) that stood by the path near the Hazel bushes. you would have known why it was so-called. This tree was attacked by the larvæ of an insect that burrowed beneath

the bark, and the pirds seemed to know it, and during the winter girdled the tree several times with little holes in search of the tree's enemy. The holes were made by the bird using its sharp bill as a hammer. When the warm sunshine of spring came, and the sap of the tree began to flow, every ltttle hole acted as a drain and the life-blood of the tree issued so freely that it ran down the bark to the ground, and made the ground moist. As the sap of this tree is very sweet and rich you might have supposed that the bird made the holes to get the sap, and this was, in earlier days, believed to be true; but it is now known that the holes are made in search of "worms," and that when a tree is so girdled it is evidence that it has been attacked by an enemy and is likely to be of short duration. The Alder still stands by the path, but is entirely dead, and has for two years acted as a trellis for Gourd vines and Wild Grape vines that made use of its well-branched trunk.

Along the path, not far from the dead Alder, is a Butternut tree that has been partly dead

for some years, but I did not have the lifeless part cut away because it made a pounding place for the Red-headed Woodpecker and the Flicker. It is to be regretted that the former of these valuable insectivorous birds, whose cheerful voice was often heard calling "Squire! Squire!" is now almost extinct, because of gunmen who delight in making a target of its bright scarlet cap; and the latter, which may be heard calling "Flicker, flicker, flicker!" is becoming searce because of the game laws enacted by men who are ignorant



LDER BLOSSOMS AND CONES.

of the value of this insect-eating bird to the farmer and gardener. It is, therefore, included as a game bird and destroyed for sport and for the little bit of flesh obtained from it. It is sad to think of the passing away of both of these fine, large, insectivorous birds, each of which



FLICKER.

is a true friend of the farmer, and does incalculable good in saving his crops from devouring insects.

But I want to tell you that in passing the Butternut tree one crisp, bright morning I heard the odd call of another little bird of the Woodpecker family. It is known as Tomtit or Titmouse. I said the call was odd, and what do you suppose it was? Just this: "Murder! Murder! Murder! Well, I looked up until I caught sight of the little fellow upon the trunk some distance from the ground. It is a small

bird, not larger than an English sparrow, but longer, having a black cap, a white vest and a gray and white speckled coat. It is not as large as a Sap Sucker, but very active, and is always busy hunting for worms. It hops around the coarse bark looking into every crevice, and gets its full share of the insect life that tries to win ter in the seams of the bark. Unlike other birds, you often see him coming down the tree "head foremost;" and every three or four hops

ne makes he says "Murder." I suppose that is to give the insect or "worm" fair warning of his mission, for he surely murders everyone he finds. He is a voracious feeder and never seems to have enough fle also is very provident, for if you crack some nuts and place where he can get them, he will carry away the finest of the kernels and hide them in crevices of the bark to eat when food is scare.



TITMOUSE.

There are many other birds, dear children, that are quite as interesting as these, but I have mentioned these to draw your attention to birds in general, and to impress upon you the necessity of protecting and caring for the insectivor ous birds that are so useful to those who till the soil. Flickers and Woodpeckers should not be classed as game birds, and our laws should protect them instead of promoting their destruction. Your friend,

La Park, Pa., Jan. 16, 1916. Geo. W. Park.

Care of Cannas.—As soon as frost comes the tops of Cannas should be cut off and the clumps lifted with soil attached and partially dried out. They should then be stored in a dry, rather warm cellar until March, when the clumps should be separated and the tubers planted in a flat of earth, and encouraged to make roots and grow. Examine the roots occasionally to see that they keep in good condition. If too dry, sprinkle them, and if too wet, give them a drier and warmer situation.

#### THE USUAL WAY.

When youth is lulled by love's young dream There is no use to preach; A lemon ("things are not what they seem") Looks like a rosy peach!

Shelbyville, Ind. Alonzo Leora Rice.

#### GODETIA.

HE BEAUTIFUL Californian annuals we know under the name of Godetia are scientifically regarded as species of Enothera. They mostly grow a foot high, and produce an abundance of large, showy flowers, some single and some double,

even throughout the United States they are gradually finding their way into flower gardens, as their superior beauty becomes better known. The following note is from a subscriber in Washington State:

Mr. Editor: Godetias are a hobby with me. The plants show a mass of color from crimson to white, such as I have found in no other flower. I grow them by the thousands, and people come from far and near to see them. They like this cool, moist climate, and for easy culture are hard to surpass.—Mrs. E. C. Warner, Everett, Wash., Oct. 20, 1915.

Godetias are hardy apprais and the seeds

Godetias are hardy annuals, and the seeds may be sown in autumn in the South, and in early spring at the North. The earlier the plants are started the better, as they will then



and embracing all the handsome shades from white to deep crimson. They mostly show a distinct dark blotch at the base of the petals, and this adds to their attractiveness.

The varieties of Godetia Whitneyi, Lindleyi and Rubicunda are very popular, and are much used in Great Britain and northern Europe as bedding plants. The cool summer weather of that climate seems to develop the plants and flowers to perfection, and when in full bloom a bed appears as a glowing sheet of color. In Washington and other Northern States, also, Godetias are increasing in popularity; and

bloom before the appearance of the hot, dry autumn weather. The new double varieties are especially beautiful. Those shown in the colored engraving will give some idea of the flowers, but the texture and rich colors must be seen to be fully appreciated.

Foliage Plants Losing Color.—A subscriber complains that the leaves of her foliage plants are curling and losing color. It is possible that they are affected by aphis or red spider. If neither of these enemies is present, the trouble may be due to a tenacious soil and a dry, hot atmosphere. Knowing the trouble the remeay is not difficult to know and apply.

#### FLORAL NOTES.

Portulaca.—I always have a fine bed of Portulaca in the different bright colors. The bed re-seeds, and so many plants appear that I give dozens to my neighbors. In the fall I give plants away for winter-blooming, for they make splendid baskets, their spreading, moss-like branches covering the soil and hanging over the sides, and all so nicely adorned with bright Mrs. Mary Dudley.

Dudley, Idaho, Oct. 23, 1915.

Dahlias. - From a five-cent packet of Dahlia seeds sown last spring I raised fifteen plants that bloomed and three that have not. The flowers are both single and double. Most of them are red, but there are so many different shades, from the darkest crimson to a very light scarlet. One plant bears double flowers overlaid with pink, and is a real beauty.

Willie Wallace. Dallas, Texas, Oct. 18, 1915.

Acacia. Two years ago I raised from a packet of window garden seeds, among others, one Acacia. It grew to be very beautiful and about five feet high. After being cut back it grew bushy. Everybody admired it. It was almost like a large, fine-foliaged Fern.

Caroline Amam.

De Soto, Wis., Dec. 29, 1915.

Marigold. - Why do not more flowerlovers grow the lovely Marigolds? They are of easy culture, never fail to bloom, have no enemies, and will thrive in a dry, sandy soil or dry climate. What is more beautiful than a large bed of the Double African varieties? I had very large ones this year, bright orange in color, dozens of which measured four inches across. I was often asked what they were.

Edna B. McGeehen.

Lisbon, O., Oct. 16, 1915.

Ornamental Gourds.- I have succeeded in raising Hercules, Mock Orange and



the small Dipper Gourds, but have never succeeded in growing the large Dipper, or Calabash, although I have tried several times. I like to plant a package of mixed Gourd seeds, and then watch developments. Mrs. Merta Sours.

Axin, Mich., Nov. 29, 1915.

[Note.-Gourds like a warm, southern exposure, as the south side of a wall or building. The seeds mostly require two weeks to germinate. Keep the soil moist, but not wet, until

the plants appear. They are very interesting in vine, flower and fruit, and it seems strange they are not

generally cultivated.-Ed.]

Passion Flower.—The past summer I planted a Passion Flower at the south porch, and it spread clear across the length of the sixteen-foot porch. Its glossy foliage and fragrant flowers were beautiful, and the first frost of 18 degrees above zero did not kill the foliage. It lasted till almost Christmas. I shall have some C. A. again this coming season.

De Soto, Wis., Dec. 29, 1915.

Variegated Hop.—Anyone desiring a pretty vine will do well to select the Japanese Variegated Hop. I start seeds in the house in March, and set the plants in the open when the weather becomes settled. I keep the soil loose and furnish woven wire supports, and the vines grow so rank they soon cover a large space. Anyone can succeed with these, as mine are never troubled by insects. The variegated foliage is beautiful. Iola Lutz. Custer Co., Neb., Nov. 3, 1915.

Petunias. - A neighbor who was a flowerlover and always contrived to have something "viney," prepared a place for Sweet Peas, even

to the strings for them to vine on; but some of them didn't come up, and the chickens destroyed the ones that did. Rather than have nothing after all her trouble, however, she planted some little

Petunia plants that had come up of their own accord. They were only the single dark ones, but they surely put forth their good qualities, for they climbed to the top of the trellis and were covered with flowers until late in the fall.

Mrs. J. F. B.

Armstrong Co., Pa., Oct. 14, 1915.

Tuberous Begonia. - Last spring I had a scarlet Tuberous-rooted Begonia that I put in a six-quart granite stew-kettle, which had a hole in the bottom, and it soon covered it all over. After it began to blossom I hung it under the edge of a north porch, and it seemed to enjoy the storms as well as the pleasant days. For over two months it has been covered with large brilliant flowers. I counted one day over twenty-five flowers, and each one stays on for about ten days, if not picked.

Josephine Wood.

Saginaw Co., Mich., Oct., 1915.

Clarkia.—My border of scarlet-flowered Clarkia was beautiful last summer. The seeds were planted in boxes in early spring, and the plants transplanted in May. They began to bloom in July. Some were nearly three feet high and made a fine display; then people knew what they were. Try them; they are easily grown from seeds. Mrs. E. C. Warner.

Everett, Wash., Oct. 20, 1915.

Iris. - I think the ease with which Iris plants can be raised from seeds should be better known. I have no trouble raising them, and the plants soon become of blooming size. I have quite a colony of seedling plants, and now, October 21st, I have just finished planting some of this year's seeds from my own plants.

Washington Co., Pa., Oct. 21, 1915.

Cannas. - I had fine success last year raising Cannas from seeds. The plants bloomed earlier and better than those raised from tubers. I soak and scrape the seeds, then plant them in a box in the house early. Mrs. Cora Fancher. Macon, Mo., Oct. 27, 1915.

#### HARDY AMARYLLIS, HALLII.

ELL, HERE IT IS, Hardy Amaryllis
Hallii, or Lycoris Squamigerii. Pay
your money and take your choice. I
call mine "Hally" or "Squamy" for
every day. Call it what you choose, it is a lovely
thing, and I consider it a most valuable addition to my collection of hardy garden Lilies. I
read an account of it several times, but had my
"doots" as to its hardiness, so did not invest.
But in a surprise or bargain collection of 100
bulbs for \$1.00 was a nice, large bulb of this.
So I put it in the ground. It grew a few weak

leaves, then they died, and that was all there was of it. So I proceeded to forget it. The next spring there was a small bunch of peculiar long green leaves, like nothing else I ever saw, came up. I wondered what it was, but it soon died, so I said,"Well, there goes nothing." Last spring the bunch of leaves was pretty strong and vigorous. I wondered even more what it was. I took the weeds out several times, and looked for blooms, but nothing came. One day in July I noticed it was turning yellow. Thoroughly disgusted, I said, "Well, die if you want to! Goodness knows, you won't be much

loss!" You see, I had entirely forgotten that I ever planted the Amaryllis bulb. Along in August, one day I went into the garden for some Gladioli, and glancing down the garden path I saw something new, so down I went, and there was a stalk as big as my thumb, near two feet tall, crowned with a bunch of buds. The stalk was reddish colored. The whole thing just shouted "Amaryllis!" I said, "Well, of all things!" Then I remembered the Hardy Amaryllis I planted some years ago. I went in and in my books hunted it up, and found its peculiarity was to bloom after the foliage had all died down. The flowers soon opened. There were seven, not as large as Amaryllis Johnsoni, but exquisitely beautiful, of a soft lavender pink.

It is said to be closely related to the Nerine family. In fact, one variety is catalogued also as Nerine Japonica. The Guernsey Lily, Nerine Sarniensis, is similar, except its flowers are bright rose-crimson. Why are the Nerines so little known? I cannot find them in any calalogue. I am very anxious to get some. I wish some one who has them would write about them, and also write to me. I also find some points of similarity between this and the obstinate, cranky Amaryllis Belladonna. I have some enormous bulbs of this, obtained from California, yet, do my best, nothing but leaves appear, and not many of them. Mine begins

to grow in November instead of spring planted them all out in the garden last summer, early in June. Not one leaf appeared. I thought them dead. In October, when I was taking up other bulbs, out rolled the Belladonna, some smaller, as the abundant rains had rotted the outer layers I potted them, and now they are slowly growing. All the roots rotted off in the ground, and no new ones have yet commenced to grow. This is also said to be hardy in New Jersey. I shall put one bulb in the ground early. another spring, and leave it there, planting it deep. Will some one who is suc-

cessful with Belladonna please tell us of their successes or even of their failures, for "misery loves company?"

Mrs. E. B. Murray.

Ballston Lake, N. Y., Dec. 20, 1915.



Larkspur and Alyssum.—Frost has blackened most of the flowers, and if it were not for the few brave, hardier ones our gardens would look desolate indeed. My Larkspurs have withstood three frosts, and make a bright, cheery corner, and some nice sprays for bouquets. The Alyssum, which borders two beds, is also at its best, and will last a long time yet. Once planted, it seeds itself, but does not become troublesome as do many self-seeding flowers. Margaret M. Mann.

Boulder Co., Colo., Sept. 2, 1915.

#### THE FAIRIES AND THE GOLDEN ROD.

ARL WAS A red-cheeked boy of five years. His father and mother were dead, so he lived with his grandfather. He had many playmates, but of all of them he liked his feeble old grandfather the best. Near the south window of the little vine-covered cottage in which Carl and his grandfather lived was an old Apple tree, now pink and white with blossoms.

"Carl, come here," his grandfather called one day, as the postman handed him a package. Carl, digging in the garden, threw down his spade and ran to his grandfather sitting

beneath the Apple tree.

"See what the postman left!" and the old

man held up a shining cane.

Eagerly snatching it from the old man's hand, Carl shouted with glee and danced about, waving it in the air.

"Oh, Grandpa, where did you get it?" he questioned, as he paused for a moment to rest.



PLANT OF GOLDEN ROD IN BLOOM.

"Your Uncle Hans sent it to you, and you must never lose it. See! he has also sent a pretty green ribbon to tie about its head."

The gold cane tied with the ribbon was placed in a red velvet case, and put on a table with a collection of walking-sticks.

For days Carl silently admired the beauty of his treasure. At last he could bear it no longer, and looking out, whispered,

"Grandpa is asleep, so I'll take my cane and go for a little walk."

Silently he lifted the cane from the box, and with his heart beating in fear, crept by his grandfather. Down the path he sped, and into the thicket beyond. He ran until he reached the big rock beside the spring, and with a last effort he threw himself on the rudely carved seat.

For a time the reflections in the water amused him, but he soon grew tired, and finally went to sleep. The black clouds which had drifted all morning in the west came closer, and flashes of lightning followed by ominous rolls of thunder and drops of rain, awoke Carl. Quickly jumping from the seat he started to run down the path. The ground

became soft and slippery, and the rain fell faster and faster. He called for his grandfather, but received no answer. At last he reached the kitchen door.

The next morning, when Carl's grandfather went to dust his canes, he found Carl's missing. Carl, sitting on the front steps, heard his grandfather come to the door, and ran away to hide beneath the Syringa bush.

"Carl! Carl!" he called faintly. Carl did not answer, but when he called again he crept

from his hiding place.

"Carl, did you take your cane?" he asked. The boy tried to run away, but the old man held him. "Carl," he repeated, "where did

you leave your cane?"

Carl took his grandfather's hand and led him to the spring. "Oh, Grandpa, Grandpa, do see this pretty flower!" he cried. "It's a pretty flower, but we must hunt for your cane." For a long time they searched, but did not find the missing article.

A new idea came to the old man. "Carl," he remarked, "the fairies have changed your cane into this flower for your disobedience."

Carl sighed and gently crushed the flower. "They have changed my cane into a pretty golden rod," he laughed.

Ever since the flower has been known by the name little Carl gave it-Golden Rod.

Henderson Co., Ill. Lena C. Ahlers.

**Hollyhocks.**—I wonder why so little is said of Hollyhocks? They are my favorites for the hardy garden, and so easily raised. I plant the seeds in April. As soon as the plants are large enough to handle and the weather permits I set them where they are to permanently stay. By fall I have very strong plants, sure to bloom the next season. After the ground freezes I cover the roots with horse manure and the tops with leaves, and use boards to make a kind of water-shed, as the tops should be kept as dry as possible during the winter. In the spring I remove the leaves, but leave the mulch around the roots, working it into the surface soil. I have Hollyhocks several years old, and each season they seem to increase in beauty. I always winter them as described. I rarely use any other than horse manure for my outdoor plants. I have tried different things, but this is the best.

Mrs. J. A. Rowland.

Delaware Co., N. Y.

Polyantha Roses. - Fifteen years ago I bought a packet of seeds of Rosa Polyantha and raised two bushes. One bloomed in four years and is a curiosity, the flowers pale cream, single, strongly tea-scented, and coming in big clusters. They last but a few hours, but there are so many to take their place that the bush is a sheet of white. The other bush did not bloom till this summer. The flowers were semi-double and the handsomest pink color with bright yellow center. Mrs. H. E. Sherwood.

Fairfield Co., Conn.

#### INCARVILLEA DELAVAYI.

SN'T THAT a mouthful? Get the money's worth when you buy that. It is also called Hardy Gloxinia, for its blooms strongly resemble a Gloxinia bloom, except that they are grown in clusters on a long stalk. It is a quite recent introduction, not at all expensive, 25 cents for a strong root. It does not increase, and is rather hard to get started. I had three before I made one live, but I am rather inclined to believe that I killed my plants through ignorance of its habits. The one I have now is in a very poor place, but I don't dare to disturb it. In root and growth it resembles the Perennial Poppy, and my experience with these is that you can remove and trasnplant them and they will sometimes live; but if you really value your plant, you will let it severely alone.

The root of this new Hardy Gloxinia strongly resembles the root of a Burdock, Would that it resembled it in hardiness. Perhaps it does, 1 don't know. I am not taking any chances. It is the deadest looking thing you ever saw when it comes from the florist's. Mine was eight inches long. I think it should be set right down in the ground its whole length and covered up well. I don't remember whether mine grew the first year or not. But I do know that it is the last thing in the garden to come up. and I think that is

why I lost mine. I probably cut off the top just as it was commencing to grow. So, if you are moved to plant one, remember where it is, and don't dig over it before it comes up. Every year I give mine up, and mourn its loss; and every year up it comes, late in May or June, a great sturdy clump of leaves, and grows like Jonah's gourd. The foliage is very dark green and luxuriant, unlike anything else in shape or form. The flowers are in clusters, an exquisite shade of pink. They last a long time. Everyone notices and exclaims over it. I never saw one elsewhere, and this coming year I am minded to set out two or three more at intervals down my garden walk, where I can fer-tilize heavily, and see what it is under more favorable circumstances.

Mrs. E. B. Murray. Ballston Lake, N. Y., Dec. 18, 1915.

#### HARDY VERBENAS.

PERBENA MONTANA is a very freeflowering hardy perennial from the Rocky Mountains. Its flowers are of a bright rose color gradually changing to lilac. Seeds sown in the early spring will produce plants that will give an abundance of bloom during the late summer and autumnal months. Verbena aubletia is a hardy biennial with spikes of showy purple flowers. To many it has a weedy appearance, but for all that there are many places where it could be used to advantage. In this latitude the plants of both of these species are much benefited by a slight covering of evergreen branches during winter. Floral Park, N. Y. Chas. E. Parnell.

Tenacious Plants.-Some plants be-

come a nuisance under favorable conditions, and many will take care of themselves when once introduced. The following handsome perennials grow for me without care: Golden Glow, Hardy Phlox, Ægopodium, Spirea palmata, Bocconia cordata and Monarda didyma. These increase without care, and I throw away bushels of the roots. My soil is very rich and mellow, and these plants take care of themselves when once established.

Ima. Geauga Co., O.



FLOWER AND PLANT OF INCARVILLEA DELAVAYI.

Cosmos in

Florida. - Our Klondyke Cosmos plants are a sight. Many of them are ten feet high, and the bees and butterflies are thick on them, so I hope they yield bee food. They transplant easily, and when they come up where I don't want them I just pull them up and hoe a hole some place, setting somewhat deeper, and off they go. They brighten up the surroundings, and do not deteriorate in this climate like Mrs. W. J. Nesbitt. Portulaca.

Dade Co., Fla., Oct. 20, 1915.

Nolana.—This little flower came to me in a packet of Mixed Seeds, and what a pretty blue flower it is. I now have a few plants in a pot in a sunny place, and it is growing and blooming nicely, brightening up everything.

Mrs. B. A. Marshall.

Twin Falls, Ida., Oct. 28, 1915.

#### DIANTHUS.

NE OF THE easiest grown and yet one of the most beautiful and useful flowers is the Dianthus, or Pinks. Embracing some of the most popular flowers in cultivation, it is almost a universal favorite. It is generally grown as an annual, and it blossoms beautifully when treated this way, though botanically, it is a biennial. Planted in a bed, the Nobilis (Royal Pinks) will continue to grow and



SINGLE JAPANESE PINKS.

spread year after year, their beauty increasing with their age and size. The blossoms are used extensively as cut flowers, and their bright and attractive colors that blend so harmoniously, linked with their delightfully pleasant and spicy perfume, give them a place in the first rank of this class of flowers. The common sorts of Dianthus grown in the open ground rarely attain a greater height than one foot. It is, therefore, suited for beds or borders, and if left in the garden through the winter, it will be a bunch of bright green at all times, and will begin blooming early in April in this latitude, and when once it gets started blooming it is a perfect mass of color until after severe frosts in the fall, minding neither drouth nor wet weather. Although it grows under trying conditions care should always be taken to see that the Dianthus has full sunlight.

The above is in regard to the common, single-flowering varieties in general, but the double-flowering kind is equally desirable. The double-flowering Dianthus produces blossoms almost as fine as Carnations for cutting, and they last for a remarkable length of time in water. Some of the new double-flowering varieties give blossoms with extremely long stems, and they include all of the soft, light colors and tints, as well as the rich, dark shades.

Dianthus, of which family the Sweet William is a member, is used for a multiplicity of purposes in the garden, as it is suited to grow with any other plant or alone.

Buford Reid.

Sherman, Miss., March 20, 1915.

#### COBOEA SCANDENS.

SOWED THE seeds in the hotbed March 1st, and it was little time till I had a nice, young plant, which I transplanted to the open ground as soon as the weather moderated. It flourished readily, but as I was hoeing the ground near it one day I had the misfortune to sever it close to the root. A kind neighbor supplied me with another, which I set

in the place where the other had been. I kept the soil well cultivated and fertilized around it. Moving it somewhat stunted its growth, but in two weeks time it started to grow, and grow it did. It was August 1st when it put forth its new growth—very



late in the season for it to start. I placed an old dead tree in the ground near it, and by September 1st it had covered the tree and was full of buds. I shall never forget the first that opened. It was a light green in color. Next morning it had changed to a delicate shade of blue, and the next day it greeted me with a rich, deep violet.

It bloomed from September till October, and would have bloomed later had not a heavy frost snapped the life of what had the morning before been a mass of buds and flowers.

The weather is so nice and warm now that I turn my eyes to the spot where my beautiful flower stood, but instead of beauty I only see a lifeless, brown, limp vine hanging from an old dead tree where it formerly stood in majestic stateliness. The frost has done its work.

Miss Edith G. Wilson.

Montgomery Co., Mo., Oct. 19, 1915.

[Note.—The seeds of Cobœa should be planted edgewise to promote germination. If laid flat in the soil they are liable to rot.—Ed.]

Calendula.—If flower lovers could see my row of Calendulas they would no longer have any doubts about planting them. A packet of the mixed seeds was planted in the vegetable garden, and the bed was soon a wonderful show of every shade of yellow ever seen. Then we had a long drought and I thought their blooming days were over, but after the rains came in September they began to show up again, and now, October 7th, they are beautiful, indeed. Be sure to try them.

Elberta, Mich. Mrs. S. E. Gaines.

A Florida Chimney.—While visiting a friend yesterday I saw the most unique chimney ever, and thought of writing you about it. It was built of Dade County rock, a coraline variety, and red soil, with a small percentage of cement, for some ten feet high. In the cracks there had been planted Coleus, Artillery plant and Live Forever, the plants all flourishing beautifully. There was no fertilizer used, and it was on the north side of the house. The chimney is about twenty feet high.

Mrs. J. W. Nesbitt.

Dade Co., Fla., Oct. 20, 1915.

#### DISBUDDING ROSES.

MATEURS seldom resort to this method of securing the best Roses. The sole object in disbudding is to let the strength centre in one bud, which insures a perfect Rose. The best implement is a goose-quill for amateurs. The Roses that require disbudding are the Hybrid Perpetuals, principally. They bloom in clusters, as a rule, and removing all but one bud at a very early stage results in the production of such Roses as are seen at exhibitions.

Then, some Hybrid Perpetuals are disbudded for another reason. Such varieties as do not bloom in clusters have a way of sending out new growth as soon as the bud is formed. Removing this new growth gives the main bud a fair chance to develop. Baroness Rothschild is one of the leading Roses that does not bloom in clusters, but that makes this new growth that should be removed.

Then, another reason for disbudding. prolongs the season of blooming. Mabel Morrison, for instance, the direct offspring of the Baroness Rothschild, blooms in full clusters. Disbudded, the clusters reduced to only two buds open gradually. The same of other Roses. Where amateurs intend to enter Roses at exhibitions the importance of disbudding is not to be disregarded.

For free and beautiful garden ornamentation the Tea, Bourbon, Moss, Noisette, Rambler, Briar, Rugosa and all garden Roses in profusion are to be desired rather than the restricted number of more perfect blooms by dishudding.

The long-stemmed cut Roses so very popular at this time must be full, large and perfectly developed. Disbudding attains for such Roses the acme of perfection, other points of culture Mrs. G. T. Drennan. being equal.

Boston Smilax .- Perhaps few know how easily we can raise from seeds that



dainty and useful vine, Boston Smil-I got a little packet of seeds and planted them in the side of a large pot of Asparagus Fern. They we're very slow to germinate, but quite a number of the little plants grew, and I have not been without

Smilax Vines the past two years. Elberta, Mich. Mrs. Gaines.

Calendula.-My Calendulas were fine in the garden. Sown in May, they bloomed until frost, with little care and no watering. The cream and bright yellow flowers on strong, straight stems proved excellent for Cora S. Day. cutting.

Berlin, N. J., Oct. 6, 1915.

#### **EVERBLOOMING CRIMSON** RAMBLER.

HAVE IN my garden a Crimson Rambler Rosebush which I should call pretty nearly everblooming. I purchased it three years ago in the 10 cent store. It grew finely, and along in August surprised me with a bunch of flowers. But I thought probably it was young and did not know any better. The next year it also bloomed at spasmodic intervals. I still wondered, but thought it was simply one of Nature's freaks. But this third year it bloomed in July, only a little later than the rest; then commenced to grow vigorously, which previously it had not done, and kept on blooming. I do not think it has been without flowers, a few at least, all summer. At the present time, September 26th, it has three bunches on, two quite large, one small, and several straggling blooms. It has never had any care. I hope for a good support for it another year, and a big wagon load of old, rotten cow manure has been dumped not ten feet from it, so I can safely promise it lots of fertilizer. And we shall probably see "scmething doin'," for I consider it a valuable acquisition and worth taking care of. I looked it up in the catalogues and find there is such a kind called Flower of Fairview. No one can make a mistake who gets one.

Ballston Lake, N. Y. Mrs. E. B. Murray.

Vanguard Carnation.—It is very satisfactory to raise Vanguard Carnations. The seeds have great vitality and come up well, making thrifty plants. I have had beautiful large flowers from seedling plants, in white, rose, scarlet, deep reds, yellows and variegated. They are so easily

grown that everyone should have a bed.

Miss Blanche Proudfit. Washington Co., Pa., Oct. 21, 1915.

Schizanthus. - The Schizanthus is a small, airy plant growing two feet high, with butterfly-like flowers of all colors developed

along the stem. sprays make the most beautiful bouquet you ever saw, as they are so graceful. I took a bouquet of them to church and was told it was the prettiest one ever brought there. Now, don't say perhaps that was the only



one, for there are many bouquets taken there by different persons in the flower season. The plants are of easy culture; you can transplant them and they at once get accustomed to their new place.

St. Clair Co., Mo., Oct. 22, 1915.

#### CRINUMS.

HIS IS a large subject to tackle, especially for a Northern woman. Until three years ago they were comparatively unknown to me. I began my acquaintance with them through the exchange columns of Park's. Previous to this I had owned one or two small bulbs, with absolutely no results. An exchange from North Carolina brought me two bulbs—a pink and a white—enormous, I thought they were. They bloomed the first year several times. I have previously written of them, so will try to not repeat. All the Crinums I have had, so far, excepting C. Fimbriatulum, or Milk and Wine Lily, are of the Longiflorum type, and of narrow petals. Look-



CRINUMS IN BLOOM.

ing at the size of the bulbs one feels somewhat disappointed in the flowers because they are But when they bloom two, three or even four times a season, as I am sure they would, were the summer a hot, rainy one; and when we consider that they require almost no care, and are easy to winter, one feels, as I do, that they are a most satisfactory plant. I am strongly tempted to set them out in the open ground another year, in the hottest part of my garden, mulch the ground heavily with old manure, and give an occasional soaking with soap suds on wash days. The greatest objection to this would be the bulbs would grow too large to handle when fall comes. In tubs one can keep them within bounds. After one has struggled with fussy, cranky Amaryllis, which stubbornly refuse to even grow for months after being disturbed, the sturdy Crinums are indeed a joy. After five or even six months. from November until May, in a room just barely frost-proof, in a dark corner, scarcely a drop of water, they emerge from their seclusion as cheerful, sound and uninjured, ready to grow vigorously as soon as given a little warmth, light and water. An Amaryllis bulb would be eaten up by mealy bugs, roots all dried up, bulb rotten, a worthless wreck in one-half the time.

The main point for me, at least in Crinum culture, is a bulb of blooming size. I can't bother with small bulbs. I have a pail of fine big bulbs of C. Fimbriatulum, two of which bloomed last summer, and were beautiful. The flower is large, Lily-like, with broad creamwhite petals with a claret-colored stripe down each one. Verily the name of Milk and Wine is appropriate. I am wondering whether my latest acquisition, a large Crinum Powelli, is a large-flowered kind. From Georgia came two immense bulbs, very large and long, labeled Chinese Lily, and Chandelier Lily. The blossom of one is identical with my pink Crinum. I do wish I knew its correct name. The other is, I am sure, Crinum pedunculatum, or St. John's Lily. At first I thought it was a variety of Spider Lily. It kept its thick, leather-green foliage fresh all through winter, and bloomed twice last season-great bunches of spidery, white Lilies, a faint pink stripe down each petal, and very sweet scented. I think my pink Crinum is C. Augustum, and the white one C. Americanum. I am anxious to obtain C. Kirkii and C. Mooreii. I wish some Southern reader who is acquainted with these bulbs would write us about them, and I do wish someone who succeeds with them would tell me how to grow and bloom Amaryllis Belladonna. Mrs. E. B. Murray.

Ballston Lake, N. Y., Dec. 16, 1915. [Note.—Crinum Powelli can be bedded out in sum-[Note.—Crinum Powelli can be bedded out in summer, and a clump of bulbs outdoors is rarely without flowers. It is sure to bloom, and easily wintered. At the South it can be left out. The handsome "lilies" are borne in big umbels, the buds opening successively, thus affording a long blooming period. In planting let the neck protrude above the surface. Mulch in summer.—Ed.]

Annual Hollyhocks.—I want to tell about the Hollyhock seeds that I sowed last The paper said "Annual" on it, so I expected, of course, that they would bloom the first year, but the soil was very dry, and part of them did not come up until very late. kept them weeded, but they were small plants when the frost came, and I thought that was the end of the Annual Hollyhocks; but not so. In the spring, when I went out to my flower-bed. I was both surprised and pleased to see that the Hollyhocks were alive, and they bloomed finely. They were still in bloom when Fair-time came, and were so pretty that I picked an armful and sent them nine miles in a lumber wagon to the Fair; and in spite of travelling so far in a heavy wagon and in a high wind, they got the Mrs. W. H. Armstrong. second premium.

St. Lawrence Co., N. Y., Nov. 22, 1915.

#### THUNBERGIA ALATA.

OW MANY of Park's Floral Readers have tried Thunbergia alata as a porch vine? Mine grew to the top of the porch, and would have grown even taller if given support. One was a beautiful pure white. A lady in passing by saw them and inquired what they were. She knew the old "Black-



Eyed Susans" grown in porch boxes and vases, but failed to recognize them when grown as a vine, eight feet high. They grow easily,

bloom profusely and are not troubled with insects. Try them next summer and you will be delighted. J. E. Baronowsky.

Vanderburg Co., Ind., Nov. 12, 1915.

[Note.—Last winter, when in Palatka, Florida, I saw a beautiful pyramid of orange flowers some distance from the street, and was anxious to know more of the vine and flowers. Upon going to it I found it was simply a huge vine, or clump of vines, of Thunbergia alata. I had never seen the plants blooming so freely before, and concluded that this was due to the sandy soil, cool weather and age of the plants. At the North they bloom well in pots in a window, in a rather cool room: at the South they evidently bloom better in winter than in summer.—Ed.]

Variegated - Leaved Tuberose.

For something different plant a few variegated-leaved Tuberoses next spring. The leaves are each margined with a narrow band of white, and the flowers are most graceful, being single orange-like blossoms, and fully as fragrant as the ordinary double Pearl. Unlike most Tuberoses the same bulbs bloom year after year, hence should be taken up after frost and stored in a light airy cellar in dry sand. The bulbs will not average as large as the double-flowered, and are more slender. For cutting they are better than the double.

New Albany, Ind. G. A. Pleiss.

Annual Chrysanthemums.—Our Annual Chrysanthemums began blooming early, and those we broke off and took in be-

early, and those we be fore frost are still in their glory. Is it possible to keep them over winter in water, as we do Coleus? To date it is a promising success. I did not take large branches, and I am sorry now, as every bud is unfolding, and the flowers each last at least



three weeks. Our seeds were planted in April, in the open, and the plants began blooming June 1st, and have been smothered with flowers until frost took them. Jessie Lundberg.

Mercer Co., Ill., Oct. 18, 1915.

### TO GROW PRIZE SWEET PEAS.

WEET PEAS grown by the trench methods are entirely successful in the dry farming section, where many suppose they will not thrive at all. In any section they easily win the prize over those grown in the old way. My trench was plowed early in October and cleaned out to a depth of two feet. It will be filled in with manure to eighteen inches and the manure tramped well: then fine, rich dirt for six inches. The seed-bed is then ready. Seeds should not be planted too thick. From one to two inches apart is a good distance, as it is necessary to work entirely around



the plants, keeping the soil filled in until the surface is level. One does not get the earliest Sweet Peas this way. It takes too long to grow the plants. But such long stems and beautiful blossoms as we get! And I pick until frost. By this method the plants have deep roots and are not easily affected by drouth. If quality rather than quantity is desired, limit the laterals, keeping to a single stem. It is worth while growing a few this way at least.

In watering, place the nozzle of the hose in a pail and let the water run down the row, thus doing less sprinkling and more root-soaking An occasional application of liquid manure will promote vigorous growth.

As a preventive against Aphis a kerosene emulsion should be used. Can't wait for them to appear; apply the remedy first.

Margaret M. Mann.

Boulder, Colo., Dec. 16, 1915.

[Note.—Where tobacco stems can be obtained, as at a cigar factory, get some and weave into the meshes of the wire trellis. This will keep away the Aphis, and tend to enrich the soil.—Ed.]

Platycodon.—I would like to tell the sisters about my Platycodon, raised from seeds several years ago. It is purple, single and beautiful. The plant is perfectly hardy. Every summer it is covered with its lovely bell-shaped flowers, admired by all beholders. I give it no protection. Last year I planted some seeds from it and raised a large number of thrifty plants. A few of these I presented to friends, who were delighted with them. Some bloomed the same year.

Mrs. L. B. Zastre.

Norfolk Co., Mass., Aug. 5, 1915.

#### THE REALM OF FANCY.

NCE UPON A TIME there was a little boy named Ted, who lived on the edge of a suburb, and every day Ted would run and play in a nearby lot until he was so tired he would drop down under a lovely Pine tree on the soft sweet needles and look up at the clouds sailing by. First a tiny little cloud,



PINE TREE.

thought Ted.

then a great big one moved slowly along. Ted began to get drowsier and drowsier, until finally he sailed right off into the Realm of Fancy. Neither east nor west, nor north nor south; neither here nor there, but just nowhere—where we go when we drowsily dream of the things far too beautiful to be seen.

with the birds singing, and there was a little man in brown waiting to show him around. "Oh, what a nice place to play!" "Sit still and I will introduce you to all my friends," said the little Brownie. And off he darted through the woods, leaving Ted listening to the birds. Soon Ted spied

It was a lovely bit of woods,

him coming back with a host of little people. "These," he said, "are the flower girls. is Margaret, in white and yellow; Violet, in blue; Rose, in pink; Pansy, in purple. Myrtle I could not find; but this is Lily, in white and gold. These are the little men in green."

"Oh," said Ted, "I have seen them before, the little green men among the flowers."

"Yes, I suppose you have," said the Brownie. "but not just as they are now. Now they are real. You see them with the eyes of youth; before, you saw them only as the grown-ups do."

"Then," said Ted, "when I grow up I can't

come here ever any more.'

"I do not know. Very few grown-ups are permitted to enter The Realm of Fancy. It will depend entirely upon yourself," replied the Brownie. "Here come the three little golden men, bright as the sunbeams. are Faith, Hope and Love. Shall I tell you a story about the little cabin you see up on the mountain side?"

"Oh, yes, please do; I love stories," said Ted.

"Is it real?

"Yes, it's real." All the little men made a circle under the tree, with the little Brownie perched upon a stump in the middle, while the little maids danced off with the butterflies.

"Well, one day," he began, "a great big man came along and built that cabin up there. He was going to be married, and soon after the cabin was finished he went away and came back with the girl. She was beautiful—the daintiest little maid, with great big blue eyes that sparkled as she listened to the birds singing, and watched the butterflies dancing, and long golden curls that glittered in the sunbeams. We all loved her, and Faith, Hope and

Love left the woods down here and went up on the mountain to dwell in the cabin and bring happiness. They were happy, very happy; but they had both seen the city, that land of promise to those who knew it not, and they were ambitious. To them the city represented the great things—hope, power, wealth, and happiness. The longing for the city grew, until one day they shut the cabin up and went to the city. Faith, Hope and Love came down the mountain that night clothed in silver, and thereafter they only appeared in the moonlight."

"But they are wearing gold now," said Ted. "Wait; you must not be so impatient, and you will hear all about it," said the Brownie. "After they went to the city to live the man made more and more money, and the more he made the more they wanted; and the more he got the farther apart they grew, until at last he was wealthy. He made vast sums of money, and was always hurried and worried. He had his clubs and his committee meetings; while she had her mansion, her servants, her handsome clothes, her jewels, her parties, her box at the opera. At last she was hurried and worried too. They had power and wealth; but neither was happy. You see they had left Faith, Hope and Love behind. The great big, open things in life belong to the big, open places. A vast stretch of open country before the eyes of man bring an inward feeling of strength and power not to be found in the narrow city streets.

"One day the doctor told her she would have to go away into the country and rest, or be a nervous wreck. She thought of the little cabin and the happy days she spent on the mountain side, so she returned to the cabin. Then the man, more lonesome than ever, began to journey backward to the days on the mountain. He felt of the woods, and he, too, returned to the cabin. Faith, Hope and Love, again clothed in gold, went up the mountain, and that evening the man and the girl watching the sunset with all its lovely colors were happy again. They had learned the great truth, that happiness is not bought with gold. Money and position are not everything. One may be a prisoner, a slave within a golden castle. Every

year with the coming of the Bluebird they return to the cabin and stay until the Spirit of the Woods dances her last, and Winter takes up his reign. Here comes the Spirit of the Woods now!" exclaimed the Brownie.

Looking up Ted saw her. In her nut brown hair was twined a wreath of autumn leaves and berries; her gown was of brown gauze covered with autumn leaves; and around her waist was a girdle of bright red berries. she came she danced gaily along on the tips of her toes, as light as the thistle-down; and the north wind blew, and the west wind sighed, and the leaves danced down, and the trees were bare, and everywhere they fell asleepthe Spirit of the Woods and the little men. Suddenly the earth shook and Ted awoke to find himself still under the Pine tree.

Cecile H. Wright. South Richmond, Va., Oct. 18, 1915.

#### AN EVENING BED.

LONG SPACE next the fence on each side of the garden walk, 100 feet, was planted to evening bloomers, a space for a dozen white Daturas, a double space for Nicotiana affinis (Star Flower), then a long space for Four-o'clocks. Back of these a row of Hollyhocks, cream, white, pink and red, stand sentinel; and on the wire fence is a Japanese lace-leaf Honeysuckle. These add



FLOWER OF DATURA.

to the beauty of our bed. The blooms of the Hollyhocks and the green and white of the Honevsuckle are a delight in daytime, and the myriad of evening blooms of Datura, Star Flower, and Four-o'clocks give beauty and fragrance at night, and create a splendor that lingers long in the memory. Down here in

Texas the seeds scatter and come up from the Star Flowers each year. The Four-o'clocks send strong sprouts up in spring, finer than any seedlings, and the Hollyhocks start hundreds of young plants in the fall that bloom the next season. The Datura lives over by

covering lightly with hay.

On the other side of the path or walk are many blooming plants, summer blooming, changeable each season. Here is where the mixed seed packets come in finely. A patch of mixed Petunias, another of Portulaca, and a dozen of Verbenas, all low growing, help to add beauty. I had a square of Kochia, but as it grew five feet high, of a uniform green color, without a bloom or seed, and turned dead brown, I have not cared for it, and will plant its space to something else.

Sherman, Tex. M. C. G. Bowman.

Who Can Beat This for Sunflowers?—I raised about 20 Sunflowers in our garden last summer. They were the largest I ever saw. Some of them grew to the height of eight or ten feet, with a stalk that measured eight inches in circumference after it was dried and the bark peeled off. The flowers were nearly 24 inches in diameter. They certainly make a grand show. I think Sunflowers make beautiful bouquets for the house. They seem to have the cheerful look that the sun has on bright spring mornings. One large flower with three leaves is enough to make a nice bouquet.

Bradyville, Tenn. Florence Parker.

#### PROFIT IN FLOWERS.

R. EDITOR:—In response to an invitation some months ago in our valuable Magazine to write of our financial profit from flowers, I would say for years as a "White Ribboner" I grew flowers and plants for "Flower Mission" work, and with blessed results. But on coming to South Dakota I found here in the Black Hills myself often bankrupted, as it were, after a funeral, as the result of "flower beggars." So I decided to sell cut flowers, and put up a notice in my bay window accordingly.

Later the wary "beggars" forced me to sell slips and plants, and now, when I cut back plants in spring and set roots in the yard, or any time during the year, I use all trimmings

to start new plants for sale.

I have over three dozen kinds of the choicest Fish Geraniums, also a good variety of the most desirable Begonias, from which I propagate and sell plants. I also have choice Ferns indoors and out, and use them in making bouquets and designs. I have many plants of Gypsophila Paniculata, sprays from which I always use in season as they lend a delicacy and charm all their own when rightly used. I charge medium prices, notwithstanding the nearest greenhouse is at Deadwood, 25 miles away. I have quantities of white Violets, which make splendid bouquets and are excel lent for designs when rightly cut.

I raise the choicest Sweet Peas by the best

culture, and have fine clusters uponlong stems. Then I make bouquets of Gypsophila and poke the Sweet Pea stems down among it, arranging tastefully as to color. I do not charge for the Gypsophila, but get from 7 to 9 cents per dozen for the Pea clusters. The Sweet Pea season is short



SWEET PEA.

here, but this is more than overbalanced by the quality of the flowers.

I also grow quantities of clove-scented Pinks, and sell alone or made up with Ferns or Gypsophila. The same is true of Sweet Williams, and of Shirley, Carnation- and Pæony-flowered Poppies. I also grow beds of Iris, Phlox, Columbine, Asters, and other annuals started from seeds.

I keep moss, tin-foil, ribbon, card boxes and paper on hand in which to pack the bouquets or flowers, and this pleases my customers.

I hope this brief account of my experience may encourage others to go and do likewise.

Mrs. B.

Pennington Co., S. D., Aug. 20, 1915.



## FEBRUARY.

I am the child of Time and Earth,
To royal ermine born;
King Boreas proclaimed my birth
With flare of fife and horn;
And Nature did on me bestow
Full many a sparkling gem,
And set upon my brow of snow
A glittering diadem.
Impartial Nature, never chary,—
Her gifts she shares with February.

But poets weave no wreaths for me,
The singer sings no song;
Unwelcome, I pass drearily
My unloved way along;
A "chilling breath" my portion is,
A "killing touch" is mine,
No lover seeks my "blighting kiss,"
No kind thoughts round me twine;
Of me opinions never vary—
I am "cold, cruel February."

What though my glance be cold and stern,
And rare my fleeting smile,
My touch makes heart and home fires burn
With love and light the while;
My Redbird's whistle clear bespeaks,
Tho' dark my clouds may loom,
And glowing bright on fair, young cheeks
My rich red Roses bloom;
And Cupid's message, sweet and cheery.
Sets hearts athrill in February

What though I chain the reckless stream
That laughs through summer's shine,
And wrap fair April's buds to dream
Of warmer touch than mine—
What though I spread the fair fields o'er
With blankets fleecy white,
Do they not strength and beauty store
While sleeping thro' my might?
I lure to rest earth-children weary—
A mission kind has February.

Then welcome me with song and smile
Beside the hearth's warm glow,
I tarry but a little while—
When March's bugles blow
A wild fanfare, far-reaching, shrill,
O'er sleeping hill and plain,
And Nature's heart shall warmly thrill
With throbbing life again,
Then, side by side with January,
Shall rest poor unwept February.
Bolivar, W. Va.
Blanche A. Wheatley.

#### A VANISHED JOY.

A cloud along the sky, A little mist of doubt; A broken path that I No longer can find out.

Along the way I grope, And feel but dull despair; I go with scarce a hope, And little faith in prayer.

I know where life was sweet
And joy was in my soul,
The thorns are at my feet
That seek a joyless goal.
Shelbyville, Ind.
Alonzo Rice.

#### REMINISCENCES.

It was a cold, cold winter evening,
The soft snow was falling fast;
Around the wee log cabin's corners
Was shrilling the cold winter blast.
The Pines and the Hemlocks were sighing
O'er the ghost of the Tamarack tree;
The lofty old mountain was hidden
By the dark, and the snow falling free.

Within the wee cabin the fire
Jerked and writhed like a snake on the
Like a serpent of gold, in its coiling,
And added its share to the mirth.
Before the bright fire that evening
An old woman sat in a dream;
A collie lay stretched close beside her,
Asleep in the fire's red gleam.

In memory's boat fair old Margaret
Looked back through an amethyst haze,
Then seeing a vague dreamy picture,
Goes back to her glad childhood days.
It was springtime down in the meadow,
The little brook plunged down the hill;
The gay Robin sang in his gladness
In the tall green-wood tree by the mill.

The cows gently lowed in the pasture,
The bass plunged and splashed in the pool;
The boy with the line meditated,
And decided to "not go to school."
The banks where the Hawthorn was sweetest,
The hills bright with Daffodills' gold
Were sweet to the heart of her childhood,
And brightened the life now grown old

The fire now leaped like a demon,
Chained fast to the chimney so dark,
But Margaret is full of her dreaming,
And sails on in memory's barque.
The spring scenes now fade from her vision,
And summer's sweet days take their place.
The berries were richer and sweeter
Years ago on the old home place.

And Margaret ran wild in the green woods, Where pearl-dusted Huckleberries grow, And the red plashing Indian Paint Brush Made forest and stream tairly glow. And down in the hay-covered meadow. The strong horses, deep in sweet hay, Toss their great heads and pull gladly, And work with a will every day.

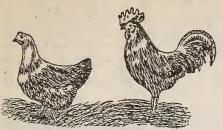
Again in the autumn, when forests
Are varnished with red-brown and gold,
The orchards their rich fruits are yielding,
The fields give up harvests untold.
Then Margaret remembers her lover—
He stood 'neath the Horse Chestnut tree,
The mist in her old blue eyes deepens
For asleep 'neath the snow now is he.

And now that the revery is faded,
The logs in the fire drop back;
The collie sits up on the hearth-rug,
To gaze up the chimney so black.
Then the sleighbells break in on the hearing,
And voices sound merry and clear;
Says Margaret, "The children are coming,
I must wish them a happy New Year."
Fallon, Calif., Nov 26, 1915. Vivian Swanson.

#### OUR 'PHONE.

The 'phone that comes to our house
Brings us so many things,
We always stop to listen
Whenever "Central" rings.
"Good news" and "Christmas greeting,"
"The weather and the crops,"
"What's doing" in the vilage,
And "when the special stops."
We hear from all the neighbors,
Their business and our own
Comes to us mighty easy,
Upon our telephone.
Valley Junction, Wis. Nellie Fiske Hackett.

#### THE POULTRY DEALER.



My name is Simon Cloverseed,
I deal in poultry eggs;
I've the finest lot of chickens
That ever walked on legs;
Such cackling you have never heard,
The dickens all to pay,
When the roosters all begin to crow
At the early dawn of day.



The Guinea hen talks politics, I tell you 'tis immense; They have some funny arguments While sitting on the fence;



The Bantam struts about and fiirts
With the Pigeons in the cage;
The Turkey turns black in the face,
And the Gander's in a rage.



The Ducks are tattling all the news, 'Bout the Shanghai's little brother;



The Pea hen puts her glasses on
And wants to kiss her mother;
The chickens cackled loud with joy,
One to the other said:
Miss Hamburgh's proud as Lucifer,
Her first egg she has laid.
Such cackling, crowing, flapping, too,
They're bound to have their say.
Mr. Rooster flaps his wings and crows
At the early dawn of day.
Cumberland Co., Pa. Miss Maggle A. Cromlich.

#### A TRUE STORY.

A Lynn woman had a Dahlia, And it grew, and grew, and grew; And beside this one I speak of She had other Dahlias, too. But the Dahlia which I mention, Not content to keep the pace Which the other Dahlias followed, Started forward in the race.

When the owner saw this Dahlia
Making progress up so fast,
From the top she broke three inches
One day, quickly, as she passed.
Then the Dahlia, by this treatment,
Feeling nothing of dismay,
Kept on growing, growing upward,
With a zeal that naught could stay.

A tall stake, that had been driven
For the plant's support and guide,
Fell far short of doing duty,
And another one was tried.
This was lashed above the first one,
And its height, six feet and o'er,
Soon was found quite insufficient,
And it needed just one more.

So the third stake yet was added, Yet the Dahlia did not care; But it still kept growing upward, With its head high in the air. Now this Dahlia was no weakling, Spindling stalk or puny leaf, But 'twas large and strong and robust, Almost so beyond belief.

And its flowers, you should have seen them!
Some light pink and very fair,
Others dark, and very dark, too,
With light petals here and there.
Still some others yet were different,
All the center part was light,
Circled with dark petals outside,
Making flowers rich and bright.

September's gales the owner looked for, When the Dahlia would be tried; So to solve this difficulty To the carpenter she hied.

Then he brought a pole that measured Just twelve feet, from ground to top, And benind the Dahlia, nailed it To the fence, in hopes 'twould stop.

Now the nights were growing frosty,
There was danger in the air;
But the Dahlia stood up proudly,
Just as though it did not care.
As it stood, a thing of beauty,
Crowned with flowers fair to see,
Jack Frost came, one night, and whispered:
"All surrender unto me!"

Morning came, and when the sunshine
Fell upon our hapless friend,
Flowers, buds and leaves soon wilted,
And its glory had an end.
Thus a noble life was finished,
With a glory all its own;
Eleven feet nine at least it measured,
When the plant was fully grown.

Lynn, Mass. A. P. Newhall.

#### PICTURES OF LIFE AT SUNSET.

A deep sky and a rich sky,
And one of blue and gold,
That seems to melt in loveliness,
A wonder to behold!
And a young heart and a glad heart,
And an old one crushed in woe,
Whose brightest light—the lamp of love—
Was shattered long ago.

Center Point, W. Va.

Dan Sweeney.

#### EXPERIENCE WITH GAIL-LARDIAS.

HREE YEARS AGO a lady gave me seeds of Gaillardia, which I planted in a border. The soil was rather tenacious, so I mixed sand and chip-dirt and a little lime with it, making just the right kind of soil for the plants. They grew rapidly, and bloomed the entire summer and fall, and are in bloom now, in their new home in the gar-



den. I just got in from planting seeds of them. I made large circles around my Rose bushes, so that it will not interfere with the mulching, and planted

seeds around two or three bushes in September. The plants are now as large as one's hand. Later I will cover them with dead grasses, so that they will not freeze out this winter, and in the spring they will, when the mulching is removed, look green and beautiful. Let us all plant plenty of Gaillardias, for they are indeed very beautiful.

Athens, Tenn., Oct. 21, 1915. Mrs.G.W.B.

Ornithogalum.—For several years I have had good success in growing the hardy bulb Ornithogalum umbellatum, sometimes



called Star of Bethlehem. It is a beautiful spring bloomer, producing pearly-white flowers with a jet black center, and having a delightful perfume. The flower stems are 10 to 12 inches high, and the blooms remain perfect a long time. It is easy to grow.

H. W. Galvin. Delaware Co., Oct. 22, 1915.

Cannas from Seeds .-- I have been very successful in growing Cannas from seeds. Early in spring I put the seeds in a dish, pour boiling water on them, and let stand for 24 hours. Then I plant in a dish of mostly woods' soil and place them near the stove. I have a shelf near my sitting room stove where I start all my seeds. I put a thick paper cover over until the plants appear, and keep the soil moist but not wet. When two inches high I transplant in good rich dirt, and keep in a sunny window. By the time frost is past they are fine, strong plants, ready to put in the flower garden, and sure to bloom, if the soil is rich enough. Cannas, like most other tuberous plants, require very rich soil, and should never be allowed to suffer from Mrs. J. A. Rowland. drought.

Delaware Co., N. Y.

#### GROWING CINERARIAS.

AST SPRING I bought a packet of Cineraria seeds. I carefully sifted sand and pulverized woods earth, mixed them well together, put it in shallow boxes, pressed it quite firm, then planted the seeds in rows about one-eighth inch deep. I covered the

box with a piece of wet muslin, then watered each day, pouring water on the muslin. Each morning and noon I would raise the cloth a little to see if any plants were peeping through the earth. As soon as they showed I took the cloth In less off.



CINERARIAS IN BLOOM

than two weeks I had 52 tiny Cinerarias. I soon lifted the tiny plants and set them in flats, two inches apart, and kept the earth well sprinkled with tobacco. Later I set them in two-inch pots, the soil being made of pulverized cow-chips, rotted sods, woods earth, and sand, keeping the soil sprinkled with tobacco. They are now throwing up their flower stalks. They were grown in shade, and protected from strong wind, and now, since bringing them into the house I keep them in a shady window, and raise the window a little bit to give them fresh air, as they seem to like a cool, shady place. Next year I mean to plant more, and will also try Cyclamen from seeds.

Vermilion Co., Ill., Oct. 25, 1915.

Hibiscus Coccineus.-A half-hardy Hibiscus, raised from seeds or division of the Dahlia-like tubers. It grows six feet high, with hemp-like leaves and scarlet flowers. It is without doubt the most graceful in appearance of all Hibiscus, having the finely cut leaves and the big scarlet blooms of five petals, each petal being entirely distinct, and not overlapping each other. They seem to float in the air, like giant butterflies. petal has a black spot near the base. The tuber or root should be taken up in the fall in this locality and stored in dry sand. Where more than one clump is grown some can be taken up and some left, as in mild winters it will prove hardy. G. A. Pleiss.

New Albany, Ind.

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Berlin, N. J., Oct. 6, 1915.



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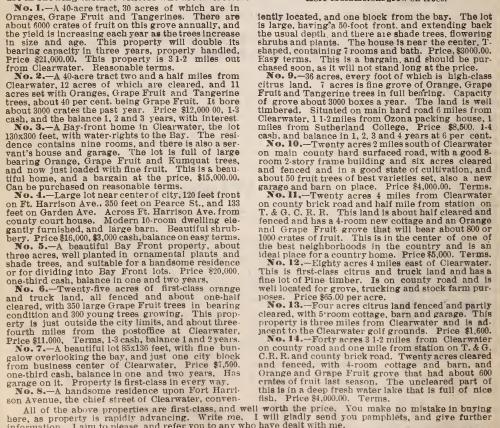
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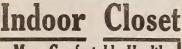
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Blair, Okla., R. 1, Sept. 17, 1915.

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Auburn, W. Va., Dec. 7, 1915 to read your Magazine. Flo Auburn, W. Va., Dec. 7, 1915.

Dear Mr. Park:—I know you are acquainted with all the beauties of our little city of Clearwater, especially its flowers and birds, but I don't suppose all your readers are. We have been here only a little over two years, and it has grown and improved so much in that time. Just at present we are having almost "summer" weather, but we have had some unusually cold at present we are having almost "summer" weather, but we have had some unusually cold days this winter. Even in "Sunny Florida" it isn't always warm. I always enjoy your Magazine, and my mother reads it and appreciates it. It is a fine little Magazine, and I hope that it may continue doing its good work for many, many years. I send this with best wishes for the New Year of 1916. Elsbeth Keyes. Clearwater, Fla., Dec. 30, 1915.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a girl eleven years old, and go a mile to school, and am in the sixth grade. For pets I have two white cats, the mother's name is Phœbe; a calf named Darky, and a goldfish. My mother has taken your Magazine a good many years, and we like it very much. We like to read it all, and especially the Children's Corner. Mildred Seyfang. Clarence Center, N. Y., Nov. 15, 1915.



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Dear Mr. Park:—I have taken your Magazine two months and like it very much. I love flowers and have a garden every summer, but have no favorites as I love them all. I live on a farm two miles from a village and am in the ninth grade at school. There are 22 scholars at our school. I have a three-year-old pony named Echo that is half Shetland and half Exmore. I will answer all letters and cards received.

Corinna, Me., Dec. 4, 1915. Marian Bates.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl, eleven years of age, and live in town, where we have about an acre of ground. I go to school every day, and am in the fourth grade, and I like my schoolmates very much. There are quite a few of them who like your Magazine. Mamma and papa have taken your dear little Magazine for several years. I read it so much that I love it, and especially enjoy reading the Children's Corner. We have many kinds of plants and flowers, and I have several plants of my own. We have a little singer Canary; we did have two, but the female died. We have two Angora cats, one yellow and one white with a blue eye and a yellow eye; the yellow cat is mine. We keep them in the kitchen at night. I like the little birds best of all, and enjoy watching them build their nests in the summer. watching them build their nests in the summer. Dorothy H. Elmendorf.

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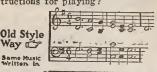
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From Pennsylvania.-Mr. Park: Rather late this spring I received a packet of Tuberous Begonia seeds and sowed part of it. In due time lots of the tiny, moss like plants appeared. The season was bad and made more work with other season was bad and made more work with other plants, so they did not get the care they should have had. I still have ten nice plants, and gave away one. They have different shaped leaves, and a couple have dark-colored leaves. Some are getting buds now. The leaves are pretty, even if there would be no flowers. I intend trying some more another year.

Mrs. J. F. B. more another year.
Armstrong Co., Pa., Oct. 14, 1915

#### A MESSAGE.

There is a song, a hymn, which appeals to me deeply. "Only a Sinner Saved by Grace," is the name of it. The thought expressed by these words is far too big for me to handle, but it gives me such a sense of security, and peace, and rest, and happiness, and deep thankfulness to the Christ who has done so much for me, that I can't hold in any longer. I do just wish that those words meant as much to everyone as they do to me. Now, as the Christmas and Thanksgiving seasons are upon us, filling our hearts and souls and lives with bubbling, effervescent joys of living, and with deep, thankful, loving thoughts of God, I feel called by the Spirit to tell of my own advance to Christ, and that though I am "only a sinner," I have the gloriously uplifting, soaring-above-the-clouds confidence that I am "saved by Grace."

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As long as I can remember I have been taught by my mother the value of prayer. I do not re-member the time when I did not go to God in my child mind to ease a toothache, or make tomor-

member the time when I did not go to God in my child mind to ease a toothache, or make tomorrow a sunshiny day, or heal my favorite cat or chicken that was sick. I suppose my religious training started ages ago, or perhaps not quite so long ago as that, but somewhere back in a line of upright, God-fearing ancestors. I lived out in the country, so while very young I missed the advantage of Sunday School and Church. But I never felt the joy of being a child of God. I accepted everything as a matter of course. Even what I read from books failed to stir that exultant feeling which I now have within me.

God has strange ways of making himself felt. While a very young child my only sister was born and died. When I saw her sweet marble face I felt something which I did not then understand. I thought of her constantly for several years, while we moved from place to place. But finally when I was eight or nine years old I began to realize that her presence was ever with me. When tempted I found a way of asking my angel sister what to do, and she invariably told me right. I never saw her with my physical eyes; I never heard her with my physical ears; but she was with me, on my rides, in my play, in my work. Whenever I was physically alone I was with my conscience, my sister's spirit and myself. I could write pages on that blessed companionship.

One day I saw in a paper an advestisement. It

One day I saw in a paper an advestisement. It said, "Do you want to lead a charmed life," I sent for booklets on it. It was the I. A. H. Circle, much of which is to be kept secret, but which manifests itself in one's life. I joined it. In do-

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ing so I gave myself completely to Christ. I had such a calm, happy, rested feeling that I was all bubbling over with the joy of a Christ-life. I

kept this up for six years.

After we came here I realized one awful day that in my interest in other things two things had slipped out of my life. One was my sister's companionship, the other was that of God. I called in vain to my sister. I could see her, spiritually, at a distance.

"I am waiting, dear," she said, "but oh! my sister, you must come back to God before you can come to me."

I should have been distracted and thrown my-self at God's feet, but I didn't know how. I tried for a while without success. Then I didn't care. With a few troublesome misgivings I began With a few troublesome misgivings I began to drift. I didn't do anything bad, but neither did I do anything good. I wanted the companionship of other people. Instead of going to church I went on picnics and to ball games. I thought I was very happy. I became cross and irritable. In dancing I had begun to think that after all rag dancing was all right. Others did; why shouldn't I? I attended church about twice a year. I said my prayers every day, but they didn't rise above my head. My school work alone was uninjured. I kept getting high marks. I was not doing any wrong, but I was drifting. About a year agu I began to attend church research

About a year ago I began to attend church regularly. I sang in the choir. I began to feel happier and to become less interested in worldly things. In June C. H. Power, the president of the Marin County Christian Endeavor Union visited our church to start a C. E. Society. Roy Creighton, a field secretary of the State C. E. Union came to help us to organize. In his talk that night I began to see things just as they were that night I began to see things just as they were. I began to see that certain things might not harm me, but they might harm others who would narm me, but they might narm others who would be influenced by me to take part in them. I began to see that just being as good as the rest did not insure Salvation. We were given a verse which we have not, and, I trust, never shall forget, "I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me." (Phil. 4:13.) I came home with many new resolves, and once again felt the blessed companionship of Christ and of my sister.

I was elected the first president of the Society. The sense of responsibility did wonders for me. It is glorious work. I couldn't give it up. Some nights I feel tired, but the meetings rest and refresh me. But what finished my joy was one night when I felt that I had a message straight night when I felt that I had a message straight from God to give. I stumbled over some of the words and had an awful time, but the rosy flood of overwhelming joy that rolled over my soul, and the ringing of angel songs that filled my ears, and best of all the comforting knowledge that God is ever with me, listening to every word and watching every movement, makes me wish that I could say volumes to give others the same feeling. Vivian Swanson. feeling. Fallon, Calif., Nov. 15, 1915.

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Dear Mr. Park:—I am a girl fifteen years old, and live on a farm. I love flowers and birds, and enjoy your Magazine, I think the Floral Poetry is just lovely. The Rose is my favorite flower. Postals exchanged.

Levels W Va. Nov. 26, 1915.

Levels, W. Va., Nov. 26, 1915.

Dear Mr. Park.—I am a boy eleven years old, and in the fifth grade at school. I have seven studies, also Agricultural and Domestic Science. We have 7 horses, 23 head of cattle, 17 head of sheep, and 27 head of hogs, also chickens, ducks, etc. Garber, Ia., R. 1, Nov. 15, 1915. Ralph E. Stewart,

Dear Mr. Park: - I am a country girl seven rears old, and live about one mile from school,

years old, and live about one mile from school, but go every day. I am in the third grade. I like your Magazine because of the Children's Corner and the Poems. I am enclosing ten cents to renew my subscription. Leola M. Manchester. Williamstown, N. Y., R. 3, Dec. 4, 1915.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl eleven years old. I have two pets, a bantam and a cat; he catches birds, but that is his nature. I have red hair, and my little sister Zoe calls out, "Get up little red head, I see you," when I am hiding in the Palmettoes.

Sarie Progley.

Alamana, Fla, Nov. 10, 1915.

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Dear Mr. Park:—I am a girl twelve years old and live in town. I cannot have pets, but I have a garden, and got the prize for the second best garden in our school last year. I have many flowers and love them dearly. Postals exchanged. Virginia F. Rouse.

Tuscaloosa, Ala., Nov. 27, 1915.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a girl sixteen years old, living on a farm of 44 acres, twenty-two miles from the city of Buffalo, and two miles from town. We have lived on the farm eight years, and like farm life better each year. Mother has taken your Magazine for nearly twenty years, and I enjoy reading the Children's Corner very much. We find so much of interest in the Magazine that we could not be without it. We raise many pretty flowers. We have about twenty different pretty flowers. We have about twenty different kinds of roses. They are beautiful when they are all in bloom. Postals exchanged.

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Mrs. M. Wilmoth. home two years ago. Franklin, O., Dec. 3, 1915.

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From Pennsylvania. — Mr. Park: Two years ago we bought four plants of Hydrangea, of the Snowball, or Hills of Snow, variety, as they are sometimes called, and planted them on the east side of the house as a hedge, to cut off the view from the back yard. They grew nicely and this summer certainly surprised us by the way they repaid us for our trouble. They were all one mass of bloom, and a wonder to all our friends. Many asked us what kind of flowers they were. People passing in their autos pointed with their fingers at them. They were simply covered with flowers. I counted forty large heads of bloom on one stalk. They are very showy as a hedge, and made a grand display in our yard Mrs. Wm. I. Fehr. Cresona, Pa., Dec. 28, 1915.

Cresona, Pa., Dec. 28, 1915.

#### MAGAZINE APPRECIATED.

Dear Mr. Park:—I have been a silent reader of your little Magazine all my life, and could not do without it. I first subscribed many years ago, and have taken the little Magazine ever since. Since I married I just had to subscribe, and now you little girl two and a half yours ald arrives. my little girl, two and a half years old, enjoys looking at the pretty flowers.

Mrs. Edith Scott Falkenburg.

Brownwood, Tex., Oct. 14, 1915.

#### EXCHANGES.

Mrs. W. L. Umbarger, Konnarock, Va., has Lilies, Hollyhocks, Dahlias, Sword Fern and Achillea for Sanseivera, Chrysanthemums, Golden Glow, Geraniums, Oxalis, Dahlias, Lilies, Tulips and Hyacinths. Grace Johnson, R. 1, Brashear, Tex., has rooted Roses for Rex Begonia, Coleus Enchantress, Trailing Gem, Easter Lilies.

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Dear Mr. Park :--I am a little farmer girl twelve pear Mr. Park:—I am a little farmer girl twelve years of age, and live on a farm of ten acres about three miles from town. I haven't far to go to school, and am in the fifth grade. We have four pigs, three horses, two cows and some chickens, and I have a little pet kitten. I love flowers, and my favorites are Roses, Pansies, Tulips and Hyacinths. We get your Magazine and could not do without it. I love to read the Children's Corner and the poetry about birds and flowers.

Volant, Pa., Dec. 7, 1915. Amelia Zook.

Dear Mr. Park:—Will you let two girls from Kentucky join your Corner? Our home is in the country, and we love to go to school. Our father, mother and brother are living, but our good old grandparents are dead. We all love flowers, but have no luck with them. We have a little brown dog for a pet and love him dearly, and are trying to teach him many tricks. We have no love for cats, but see them on all sides.

Pearl and Margaret Graham.

Loretto, Ky., Dec. 13, 1915.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a merchant's son, aged nineteen years, and I would like to correspond with some jolly girls and boys. My sister takes your Magazine and I like it very much. I will be sure to answer all letters and cards sent.

Merrill, Mich., Dec. 9, 1915. Louis Anchultz.

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Herman Peterman, Sebastopol, Cal., has Mariposa Tulips, Brodiæa bulbs, Violet seed for bulbs or seeds. Mrs. Adam Heckman, R. 4. Chambersburg, Pa., has Monthly Roses, Pinly Oleander, 'Mums, Pinks, Chameleon Nasturtium and Austrian Canna for Roses, Kenilworth Ivy or fine Ferns. Write.

Mrs. W. Arwood, Loxley, Ala., has Giant Himalaya Berry plants for rooted Tea Roses, Clematis Panicul-ata or Bridal Wreath.

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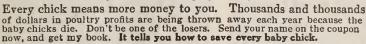


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Begonia Argyrostigma.—Can our Editor or any of the readers of Park's Floral Magazine tell me if the old Begonia Argyrostigma is still in existence?—Mrs. Z. M. W.

Question.—Will some readers who live in a dry climate name a lot of trees and perennial plants suitable for southeast and central Colorado. There is practically no rain after July until spring. I wish quick-growing trees. Would the Black Locust be of any account here?—Mrs. M. C. Totton, Ordway, Colo.

Wanted.—The words of the hymn, "Jesus Died on Calvary's Mountain." Also, song, "Lourena," and the answer.—Mrs. L., Ohio.

Songs Wanted.—Words of the song, "Chas. Gitah." A lullaby with the following lines:

"Mamma hugs him up tight, Papa whispers good night, And the sailor boy sails To the land of dreams."

#### CHILDREN'S CORNER.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl eleven years old, and live on a farm near the St. Francis River. We came here from west Kentucky about seven years ago. I go a mile to the Gravel Hill School, and am in the fifth grade; the school will be out in April. The teacher's name is Bristo Mann. I like to read and draw, and can draw very well. I have a cow and a calf, and I like to live on the farm. I have a sister named Lois and a brother. farm. I have a sister named Lois and a brother named Keith. Mamma used to take your little Magazine when she was a little girl, and now I take and like it very much. We haven't many flowers, but we all love flowers.

Piggott, Ark., Dec. 11, 1915.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a boy aged ten years, go to public school, and am in the sixth grade. I have a dog named Beppo and a cat named Dolly Gray. We have a small fish-pond and five fish. Every Sunday we go up in the bills and take our lunch under the tall Redwood trees; there are two large springs nearby. We have a lovely lunch under the tall Redwood trees; there are two large springs nearby. We have a lovely home, and my grandmother grows beautiful flowers, of which she is particularly fond. Strangers think we keep a gardener, but my grandmother does all the work herself. Grandmother takes your Magazine and we all read it, but we see few letters from California. We live about 75 miles north of San Francisco, in a small willsen. We have spent some delightful days at we have spent some delightful days at the Exposition. I shall be glad to exchange postcards or letters with any boy or girl.

Edgar A. Mason, Jr.

Geyserville, Cal., Dec. 14, 1915.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a farmer's boy, twelve years old, and in the sixth grade at school. I have taken your Magazine for a year and like it very much. I have a dog for a pet. I have a buckskin horse of my own named Prince, and I can sit under him or do anything I like with him; he is only two years old. My father has twelve horses, eighteen head of cattle and fifteen pigs. I do almost all the chores. I will answer all cards I do almost all the chores. I will answer all cards and letters received. Andrew S. Petersen. and letters received. And Atwater, Minn., Dec. 9, 1915.



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#### POULTRY NOTES.

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A contributor of the same paper sends the following from New Jersey: "There lives here a thrifty German who has made for several years past a living and more for himself and wife, on one and one-third acres. It is hardly creditable, but it is a fact, he has also paid off a mortgage on his property. He began with about 250 hens, and his property. He began with about 250 hens, and the land on which he started was of poor, heavy clay nature. Today he keeps about 400 hens, has quite some fruit, and a splendid asparagus bed. He sells no other vegetables, using his land to grow mangels, clover, alfalfa and grass. He lives nicely."

Selling Bad Eggs.—The man who sells bad eggs to the grocer is greatly to blame; the grocer who takes the eggs without question and resells them is next to blame, but the woman who buys these bad eggs and does not report them is nearly as much to blame as the grocer. She should report every bad egg and demand her money's worth to the last cent. If she did she would be doing just what the law tells her to do. The grocer then would soon he forced to do The grocer then would soon be forced to do what the law tells him to in this case, and he would come back at the egg producer, and if he sold bad eggs, why, then, send him to jail or make him pay a fine. The other day I saw a neighbor bring half a dozen eggs from the village neignfor oring hair a dozen eggs from the village store. She wanted them for a cake; she broke all, and four were addled badly; had been set on. She refused to tell the grocer, as I urged. Didn't want a fuss. That country grocer knows nearly every farm that sends him eggs. He buys bar-rels of them every week. That woman paid him 14 cents for that half dozen of eggs. Seven cents is dear for one egg, but how about the city consumer who will get eggs from that lot and pay maybe 35 cents a dozen? It is all wrong. Report such cheating until a farmer must sell only fresh eggs.-Twentieth Century Farmer.

#### EXCHANGES.

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Borden, Ind., Dec. 6, 1915. Bessie Barters.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl ten years old, and live on a small farm in Crawford County. I have over a mile to go to school, and am in the fifth grade. For pets I have a dog named Towser and three cats. We raise chickens and have a horse, two cows, a calf, a little pig and a heifer. I do not like to see the little birds harmed, and I think they do lots of good for us. They eat the bugs and insects that destroy our fruit, and they sing to us in the summer time. We have a little bugs and insects that destroy our fruit, and they sing to us in the summer time. We have a little bird house up in the peak of our woodshed, and in the summer the little birds come and build their nests in it. I think if there were more birdhouses built it would save many more birds from dying each year. I don't think many people would dislike cats if they didn't catch birds. would dislike cats if they didn't catch birds. Mamma takes your Magazine, and we like it very much. I enjoy reading the Children's Corner. We have lots of flowers every year, and many different kinds. Mamma has a large bed of them. They are certainly beautiful when they are in bloom. I had a vegetable garden and a bed of flowers this year. The Sweet Peas we got of you were very pretty. Would like to see this in print. Centerville, Pa., Dec. 6, 1915. Luella Drake.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a farm boy ten years old, and live on a farm of 160 acres. I have a mile and three-quarters to school and am in the fourth grade. My teacher's name is Miss Erma McAfee. I have a cat and a bay Shetland pony named Trixie. I ride her to school. I am a lover of flowers and like best of all Sweet Peas. My mother takes your Magazine and Like to read mother takes your Magazine and I like to read the Children's Corner. Archie W. Stauterman. Centralia, Mo., Dec. 6, 1915.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a farmer's daughter, eleven years old, and live on a farm of 150 acres. We have a big house built three years ago, and a big barn, too. We have two horses, Prince and We have a big house built three years ago, and a big barn, too. We have two horses, Prince and Charley; eleven cattle, eight pigs, turkeys, chickens, pigeons, and a dog named Rex. For pets I have two Bantams, Jinny and Roxy. I can play the piano a little. I dearly love your cute Magazine, and like to read the Children's Corner and the poems. Those who wish may send me birth-dere and the poems. day cards on February 9th. I like boys and girls. Love to all the readers of your Magazine. Hilda O. Zimmerman.

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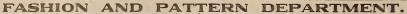
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East Stroudsburg, Pa., Sept. 25, 1915.

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Children's Corner in your Magazine. Tidioute, Pa., Dec. 30, 1915. Dona Donald Devore.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a boy ten years old, and am in the fourth grade at school. My mother has been taking your Magazine for several years and likes it very much, and I always like to read the Children's Corner. We have a nice yard of flowers, and I have a little bed of flowers of my own. I have a little brother David, seven years old, who goes to school. I have a Rhode Island Red hen and ten little chickens.

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Arenzville, Ill., Aug. 15, 1915.

From Ohio.—Mr. Park: Ithink every flower lover should grow a nice bed of the pretty little Calliopsis. I had my bed on the north side of a picket fence, and watered them with wash water every wash day, and I was very well repaid for the trouble. I had a nice lot of Daisies and Chrysanthemums which I treated in the same way, and I never forgot to pull the weeds. My friends all said, "What do you do to your flowers that they bloom so long and have such pretty big blooms all summer through?" The reason was that I kept them watered and the weeds out. Toledo, O., Oct. 24, 1915. Mary Sandman.

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From Georgia. - Dear Mr. Park: I surely enjoy reading the letters from the Floral people, one can learn so much about the care of flowers from them. And I, for one, appreciate your stand against the de-

struction of the birds, and tobacco chewing or using in any form. There are hundreds of little birds in our Southland all the time, and then there are lots of birds come from the North to spend the winter with us; but I fear many of them do not live to get back to their old homes in spring-time, for men and boys with guns and many other bird



and many other bird enemies prey upon them throughout the winter. This makes me feel sad, because they are so much help to farmers and pleasure to all who love them. My Tuberous Begonias are just fine. I am an amateur flower grower, but have had good success with these Begonias. I raised some Dianthus, or Japanese Pinks, this year that are still blooming. The seeds were planted in a cold frame in March and the plants set in the bed when warm days came. Although very pretty they lacked that spicy fragrance I love in Pinks. I am going to try to grow some Hardy Garden they lacked that spicy fragrance I love in Pinks. I am going to try to grow some Hardy Garden Carnations and Sweet Williams next year. And I've read so much about the improved Snapdragon I want to try them, too. I've never seen any, as they seem to be a rarity around here. Richland, Ga., Oct. 7, 1915. Mrs. E. L. Sears.

From Minnesota. — Mr. Park: I feel so grateful to your little Magazine that I must send you a word of thanks. Last spring I purchased seeds of Smilax, Fuchsia, Coleus, Clarkia, Carnation and Mimulus, and I believe every seed grew. tion and Mimulus, and I believe every seed grew. I have fifteen lovely Coleus, all different, and I supplied all the neighborhood with the dainty Clarkias; they were a wonder to everyone. I have fifteen Mimulus almost ready to bloom, and two fine Fuchsias; the others came up, but damped off while young. I have six budded Carnations; most of them damped off, too, but I would know better how to care for them next time. I also have eight Smilax Vines, and they grow so fast. I have had your Magazine four years now, and always wait anxiously for its arrival each month. I intend to plant many kinds of greenhouse seeds this winter. I keep all back numbers of the Magazine to refer to in the care of my plants.

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#### CHILDREN'S CORNER.

Dear Mr. Park:-I am a farm girl, twelve years old, and live on a farm of 50 acres. My mother has taken your little Magazine about ten years, and likes it very much. I enjoy reading the Children's Corner. For pets I have a white poodle dog, a calf and a cat. I will be glad to exchange postals with other boys and girls.

Henrietta Russell.

Ringgold, Ga., Dec. 10, 1915.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a girl twelve years old, and am in the eighth grade at school. I have one brother, but no sisters. The Rose is about my favorite flower, but I like all the others. I have who wrote to you. I would love to exchange postcards and letters with boys and girls who read your Magazine. I enjoy music very much.

Geraldine Manwaring.

Allegan, Mich., Dec. 9, 1915.

Dear Mr. Park;—I am a girl sixteen years old, and live on a 160-acre farm. We don't raise very many flowers, as the soil around the house is not suitable for growing them, but I love flowers. We raise lots of chickens, hogs and horses. I will answer all cards and letters recived.

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#### CHILDREN'S CORNER.

Dear Mr. Park:—My sister takes your Magazine, and we enjoy it whenever it comes. we have enjoy it whenever it comes. I am a girl sixteen years old, and do not go to school. We have fourteen horses and about fifty cattle, and I enjoy farm life very much. I would like the exchange postcards with some of the readers of your Magazine, and will answer all I get. Anna Hendrickson.

Brady, Neb., Dec. 10, 1915.

Brady, Neb., Dec. 10, 1915.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am fifteen years old and live in town. I am a lover of all flowers and have quite a number of house plants, and every summer we have a large bed of flowers. The Tulip is my favorite flower. I have one sister. I have several pets, a bird, a dog and two goldfish. We just began taking your Magazine in December, and it cannot be beat for a flower paper.

Lushton, Neb., Jan. 4, 1915. Marvel Hager.



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#### CORRESPONDENCE.

From Washington.—Dear Mr. Park: The Gladiolus stays in the ground here all winter, but Gladiolus stays in the ground here all winter, but our winters are very mild. We can see snow up in the mountains most of the year. Our lawns look like green velvet; they never turn brown. There are not many wild flowers in this section, perhaps because it was all heavy timber in years gone by; but the footbills and mountains are still covered with beautiful green trees. Only the lowlands and gullies are cleared, but the lumbermen are making sad have among the every bermen are making sad havoc among the ever-greens. The Rhododendron is our State flower, It is in almost everyone's yard, and such a variety of colors! Down on the sound, and more espeof colors! Down on the sound, and more especially on the islands, they grow in profusion with great spreading branches. In May, at Anacortes, they hold Rhododendron Day, and it is most lovely. The most of our postcards have "Beautiful Washington" in one corner, and it certainly is. I wish you could take an auto ride through the country in June. All unsightly things are covered with Ferns of every description and kind. They cover black stumps, old rotten logs, peep through the fence corners, smile at you from the roadside so green and beautiful, and up on the side of a bluff overlooking fine farms where they side of a bluff overlooking fine farms where they raise 160 bushels of oats per acre. Oats, hay and fruits are the main crops. The soil is very productive. Then on we go, around a beautiful lake that looks like a diamond in emerald setting, then down into a great forest of virgin timber; and so you go, over hill and dale, and at every turn you make you draw a long breath and say, "Beautiful Washington." Mrs. G. T. F. Skærit Co.. Wash. Skagit Co., Wash.

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From Iowa.—In the year 1915 we had simply marvelous good luck with all kinds of flowers. For a place consisting of two ordinary city lots, we have a great profusion of flowers. Among them there was this year a bed of gorgeous Dahlias, an attraction for all passersby. A bed of Gladiolus showed up to advantage. On the west side of the house there were two flower-beds, one of Pansies that bloomed well throughout the entire season; and the other, a bed of Asters, was a profusion of blooms of all colors, bright red, light blue, plain white, plain blue. We have one Lantana plant, which paid us well with blossoms for the care we gave it. Our flower beds begin with early April or even late March with Crocuses, Narcissus, Daffodils, which are then replaced with Geraniums, Marigolds, Zinnias, Sweet Williams, Annual and Perennial Phloxes, Portulaca, Hollyhocks, Perennial Peas, Primroses, Impatiens and others. Primroses, Impatiens and others

Rev. James J. Bassler. Union Co., Ia., Oct. 16, 1915.

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On a summer day, as the waves were rippling, By the soft, gentle breeze, Did a ship set sail with her cargo, laden For a port beyond the seas,

There were sweet farewells, there were loving signals, And her fate was yet unlearned;
Though they knew it not, 'twas a solemn party
On the ship that never returned.

Chorus.
Did she ever return? She never returned,
And her fate is yet unlearned,
Though for years and years there were fond ones
For the ship that never returned. [watching

Said a feeble lad to his anxious mother,
"I must cross the wide, wide sea;
For they say, perchance, in a foreign clime,
There is health and strength for me."
'Twas a gleam of hope in a maze of danger,
And her heart for her youngest yearned,
Though she sent him forth with a smile and blessing
On the ship that never returned.

"Only one more trip," said a gallant seaman,
As he kissed his weeping wife;
"Only one more bag of the golden treasure,
And 'twill last us all through life.
Then we'll spend our days in a cozy cottage,
And enjoy the sweet rest we earned."
But, alas! poor man, who sailed commander

On the ship that never returned.

#### MAGAZINE APPRECIATED.

Mr. Park:—I have often thought I would write you a letter and tell you how much I appreciate your little Magazine. I really could not get along you a letter and tell you now had you get along your little Magazine. I really could not get along without it. While I do not grow as many flowers as some, I always try to have a few, and I certainly find the Floral Magazine a help. My mother was a subscriber for several years before her death, and always kept the Magazines for reference, so I have them several years old.

Archdale, N. C., Dec. 6, 1915. Ethel White.

Mr. Park:—In renewing my subscription to Park's Magazine I am also sending in a number of names of my friends. I have been a subscriber to your Magazine for many years, and to me it is the most interesting and instructive floral paper that I have ever taken. I enjoy reading the poetry, the letters to children by Mr. Park, and the letters from the subscribers, as also the articles giving practical experience and information about various plants and flowers,

Jennie Hutchinson.

Hightstown, N. J., Oct. 12, 1915.

#### CHILDREN'S CORNER.

Dear Mr. Park: — I am a farmer's daughter eleven years old, and live on a farm of 200 acres. I walk a mile and a half to school and will be in the sixth grade after Christmas. We take your Magazine and like it very much. We have 35 hogs, a pet pig named Spot, eight cattle, and two Jersey cows, both the same size; we also have three kittens and a dog that will chase anything, named Dash. I have two brothers, one aged fourteen years and the other four years. My favorite flowers are Carnations and Ferns. We have a beautiful Apple Geranium.

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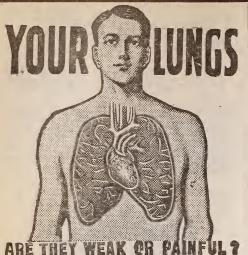
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MARIPOSA LILY.

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white, and the yellows from palest greenish-yellow to a bronzy-brown. And there are the Primroses, yellow and white ones; Wild Pentstemons, Four-O'clocks, Asters, Marigolds, and so many others one can scarcely believe they all grow here. April is our prettiest season. There are, also, many wild birds and bees as well as flowers. Mohave Co., Ariz., Oct. 25, 1915. Mrs. Bly.

From Kentucky. — Mr. Park: I have been a silent but appreciative reader of your dear little Magazine, and I feel like adding a few words of praise to encourage you in your work. Where is there another publication that gives us so much useful information? I am sure there is none. I am much interested in Achimenes and other bulbous summer-blooming plants. I would like to get some in exchange for fine named Chrysanthemums, of which I have a good collection. Last year I bought a packet of Double Petunia seeds and raised a nice lot of plants. They were not all double-flowered, but even the single ones were lovely. I had more than one dozen plants that produced double flowers of almost every description. One was almost white, as full as a Snowball, and showed a delicate pink edge. It looked good enough to eat.

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Perennial, bearing a profusion of golden daisies,
Anagallis, Pimpernelle,
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Bellis, dbl., English Daisy
Monstrosa, white, rose
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The new giant Monstrosa
Daisies bear immense double
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Cosmos-like flowers, pink,
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Brachycome, Swan River
Daisy New Star, white,
blue, red, mixed
These lovely little annuals
were used effectively for beds
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cught to be better known.
Brovallia, blue, w hite,
purple, mixed
Speciosa, new, large-fl, blue

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Callingsis, Double, mixed
Bicolor, Dwarf, mixed
Bicolor, Dwarf, mixed
New superb hybrids, mxd
Golden Wave, yellow
All varieties, mixed
Mr. Park:—Calliopsis is a
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Callirhoe, pedata, purple
Involucrata, red, tralling
Both species mixed.
C. Involucrata is a lovely
everblooming hardy perennial, for a bed; flower cupshaped, very showy. O. Pedata
is erect; blooms till winter.
Calceoluria scabiosifolia,
a lovely free-blooming

a lovely free-blooming annual; flowers primrose-yellow. Fine for pots.



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Browallia, blue, white, purple, mixed
Speciosa, new, large-fi, blue tasily grown flowers for beds; bloom well in winter beds; bloom well in winter in pots.

The flowers are marvels of beauty, large, set on long

were used effectively for beds; for beds in Glasnevin Botanio Gardens with Standard and Standard and Summer. The plants grew four feet high and bloomed all beautiful. I shall keep the roots in the cellar and plant next year.—Mrs. Reed, Mich. Oct. 20, 1914.

Calandrinia, pretty and nucleon standard and stan

Capsicum, Pepper. 2 distinct fine sorts mixed. Small fancy sorts for pots for house culture, mixed.

Carduns, white-vein fol'ge



Carnation, Imp. Early fl. Vanguard, double, blooming first year; white, red, yellow, striped, yellow-ground, variegated, separate or mixed.

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Carthamts tin ctorius, Saffron; golden flowers Catchfly, pretty hardy annual; rese and white; one foot high; mixed colors. Celosia Cristata, Coxcomb Empress, crimson, for beds Dwarf mixed, extra quality Thompsoni mag., crimson

Dwarf mixed extra quality Thompsoni mag., crimson Magnifica, golden yellow

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Cerastium Biebersteini.

silvery foliage. Daisy-like white blooms; fine edging. Cerinthe retorta, bee pl't.
Chenostoma, rose, fine.
Cheiranthus maritimus,
fine little annual for pots or masses; mixed.

Centaurea Cyanus, d'ble blue, white, rose, variegated, Bach, Button, mixed, Nana Compacta, blue, wh.
Mr. Park:—I have a very gay border of Campanula I would not be without its cheering influence.—Mrs. Jones, Cal.. Nov. 9, 1914.
Cannabis Gigantea, Hemp Capsteum, Pepper . 25

Complete hixture all sorts
Few flowers are finer for
bouquets, or last better than
Centaureas. C. Cyanus, double blue, is exquisite and can
be worn in the buttonhole a
day without wilting. All are
showy in the garden.
Mr. Park:—Centaurea odorata is beautiful, and the
flowers are among the best
for cutting. If freely cut the
plants bloom for a long time.
—Mrs. Chapman, Ill., Oct. 1914.
Chrysanthe mum, annual, mixed

nual, mixed Carinatum, double, white, yellow, purple, scarlet, mxd Hybridum fimbriatum,

double, mixed

Coronarium, double, mxd New Dwarf

Northern Star, Giant, white
Inodorum, Bridal Robe, wh Frutescens, white, yel,, mxd Frutescens, white, yel, mxd
Mr. Park: -My Annual
Chrysanthemums were very
pretty, blooming from June
tillafter frost; colors white,
yellow, gold-centered, etc.; a
beautiful border for the
hardy 'Mums.--Mrs. Barley;
Ky.. Oct. 19, 1914.
Clarkia, Elegans, double,
white, rose, salmon, purple,
striped, mixed

white, rose, salmon, purple, striped, mixed Pulchella, double, white, red, margined, mixed.
All the above mixed.
All the above mixed.
Mr. Park:—What a delightful surprise your Clarkias were to me last summer. It was my first experience with them, but hereafter I shall not consider my garden complete without them.—Mrs. Turner. Minn., Oct. 23, 1914.
Cleone gigantea, carmine.
Spider-flower; 3 feet tall, branching and covered with showy, white, Electric Light,

showy, white, Electric Light, mixed; spikes till frost. Clintonia, blue, white, mxd



Collinsia, lovely anuuals with whorls of white, purple, carmine, variegated, mixed. Collomia coccinea, scarlet Collomia coceinea, scarlet Cosmidium, velvety bro'n Crepis, double, pink, white, yellow, mixed; showy Cuphea, the species mxd. Cynoglossum, blue, mxd. Dahlia. Double mixed Juarezi and Lilliput, mxd. Gloria, semi-double, "Single Giant, Cactus sorts."

Cactus sorts, Margined and striped

Margined and striped
Coronata, sweet-scented
Collar or Ruffled
Tom Thumb, mixed
All, single and double.mxd
Mr. Park:—Last March I
started a packet of seeds of
your Dablias in the house,
and had 1% plants. All but
two bloomed, and all were
worth keeping One was a
soft pink Cactus sort; one
bright red was 5 in. across;
another had twisted petals:

blooming annuals, six in. high; flowers white and rich blue; very pretty Tedia cornucopiæ, a pretty

little annual; corymbs of red flowers

Fenzlia Dianthiflora, mxd; lovely rose, white and pink flowers in great profusion.



Gaillardia Picta, mixed Lorenziana, double, mixed Grandiflora, large, mixed

Lorenziana, double, mixed
Grandiflora, large, mixed
New Compact, mixed
Beautiful garden flowers
blooming continuously till
after severe frosts; showy in
beds, and fine for cutting. G.
grandiflora is a hardy perennial, but blooms freely the
first season.

Mr. Park:—I want to tell
you of my success with your
Gaillardias. The bed was a
most dazzling corner in my
flower garden. The flowers
are always so bright and
show, and of so many harmonious colors.—Mrs. Jones,
Calif., Nov. 9, 1914.
Gilia, lovely little annuals,
freely in clusters all season. White, blue, rose,
vlolet, separate or mixed.
Glaucium, Burbank and

violet, separate of mixet.

Glaucium, Burbank and
mixed, a foot high, with
pretty foliage and large
showy red-blotched flo'rs.

Godetie, superb bedding
annuals, the flowers large,
often setted and blotched annuais, the nowers large, often spotted and blotched and of the finest colors, as white, rose, carmine, single and double. Mixed. Heliunthus, Sunflower, new large-flowered Red.

also Double Green-ce,n tered, Fistulosa, Arboreus giganteus, Uniflorus and

giganteus, Uniflorus and Dwarf Variegated. Sepa-rate or mixed. Helianthus, Sunflo wer, small-flowered, Cucumeri-folius, Argophyllus, Dia-dem, Stella, and new Red and shaded. Separate or mixed.

mixed.

Hibiscus, New Sunset, 6 feet tall, with big Hollyhock-like golden flowers with dark eye. I also have H. Trionum, H. Mehanil, mixed, and H. Moscheutos.

Hebenstreitia, new African Mignonette, a pretty, free-blooming hardy annual; flowers white, in spikes, scented.

Ice Plant, an odd, icy plant for pots or beds; also mixed varieties of Mesembryanthemum.

bryanthemum.

Jouopsidium Acaule, Diamond flower, a pretty creeping annual for carpeting the soil in pots.

\*\*Rochia\*\* Scoparia, Summer Cypress, an elegant fine-foliage annual, turning comments and the second se

crimson in autumn.

Kaulfussia, 1 foot high. bearing blue, rose and vio-let flowers; mixed. Kenilworth Ivy, a hand-

some trailing perennial for carpeting shady ground or for bracket pots or baskets; grows well in dense shade.

Lavandula vers, the well-

Lavancula vera, the well-known Lavender; deliciously scented foliage; hardy.
Lavatera trimestris, "Dwarf Hollyhock," two feet high, branching, and covered all autumn with showy white and rose flowers; makes a fine bed or hedge; mixed.

hedge: mixed.

Leptosiphon, very profuse blooming, low, dense
annuals, exquisite for beds or border; yellow, rose, carmine, white, scarlet, separate or mixed.

Impatiens, new African Balsams, beautiful ever-Baisams, beautiful ever-blooming plants for beds or pots; bloom freely all the season outdoors, and unsurpassed for winter blooming in the window flowers white, rose, purple scarlet, salmon, crimson striped, eyed, etc.; sepa-rate or mixed.

rate or mixed.

Lineary grandiflorum.

Scarlet Flax, a very attractive annual; one foot high, masses of waving bloom; rose and red, mxd. Luninus, annuals of great beauty, blooming in spikes all summer; flowers Pea like, white, blue, violet,

scarlet, mixed.

Linaria, annuals of the easiest culture, bearing terminal clusters of white, violet, purple, yellow and striped Snapdragon-like flowers; charming, Mixed Lychnis Chalcedonica, a

foot high, bearing heads of rich scarlet and white flowers; blooms first year.

and for several years after. Mixed.

Lychnis Haageana, seven inches; flowers very large, rich vermilion and other colors, mixed. Also I offer a mixture of many sorts. Lobelia Hamburgia, an exquisite plant for hang-

ing baskets and pots; flowers blue with white eye. Also L. Speciosa and Bar-nard's Perpetual, fine for baskets.

Lobelia compacta, Snow-ball, becoming a ball of white bloom, and L. pumila splendens, rich blue, good for edgings and pots,



Marigold French, double, tall, all colors, finest mixed tall, all colors, mest mixed.
French, double, dwarf, all colors, mixed.
French Lilliput, small-flowered, mixed.
French single, all colors, finest mixed

finest mixed. African, double, tall sorts. finest mixed. African, double dwarf, all

colors, finest mixture. Lucida, yellow, very sweet scented, in clusters. Marigold, (continued).

Signata pumila dwarf, bushy, becoming a golden mass of bloom.

Malva crispa, often 10 feet high, one erect stalk, clothed with fringed leaves and retaining its beauty till snow flies.

Malope grandiflora, hardy

one foot, showy rose, red and white blooms.

Martynia Fragrans, crimson, Gloxinia-like bloom upon a strong, spreading plant 2 feet high.

Proboscidea, lavender, spotted flowers, succeeded by claw-like pods that are used for pickles

when young.

Matricaria Capensis fl.
pl., double pure white
Feverfew; free-blooming. splendid.

Golden Ball, double; a mass of golden buttons.
Silver Ball, double, a glob-ular mass of white

All sorts, double, Mixed,
Matthiola, Evening
Stock, Bicornis and Tricuspidate, not showy, but the flowers deliciously sweet-scented.

Moluccella, Shell Flower, 2 ft. bell-flower, mixed. Wimulus, Monkey Flower exquisite large spotted flowers in profusion; sin-gle and double mixed. Musk Plant, golden, musk-scented, fine.



Mignonette, Sweet, quisitely scented spikes of

white, finest mixed.

Mirabilis, Four-o'clock, tall, white, yellow, crimson, lilac, violet, tricolor, otto a converte or mixed. etc., separate or mixed. Dwarf, variegated-leaved

sorts, in all colors, sepa-

rate or mixed.

Myosotis, Forget-me-not, charming little flower, blue, white, rose, in clusters; mixed.

ters; mixed.

Neinesia, new Strumosa,
beautiful varieties, carmine, scarlet, cream,
orange, spotted, mixed.

Nemophila, beautiful
hardy annuals, the bright
flowers white, blue, and

flowers white, blue and variegated, blooming freely all summer; mixed. Nicotiana affinis, white,

two feet tall, free and continuous-blooming, deliciously sweet-scented in the evening, and quite showy. Sanderæ, a new, very beautiful sort, fine for beds or pots, flowers of many rich colors, and open in day-time. Mixed.

day-time. Mixed. Nicandra Physaloides, Shoefly plant. Nierembergia, Frutes-

cens and Gracilis, fine for pots; very free-blooming;

Nigella, Love-in-a-Mist, blue and white, double; Miss Jekyll, rich blue, double; all mixed, Noluna, trailing annuals, fine for baskets; flowers bell-shape, white, blue, vio-

let. mixed.

Nycterinia, dwarf, tufted annuals; flowers clustered, very fragrant; mixed.
Obeliscaria, drooping.

blotched golden rays, cone

center. Enothera, Evening Primrose, lovely cup-shaped fragrant flowers; very

showy; mixed.

Oxalis, pretty edging and basket plants; pink, rose, white, mixed.



Pansy, Romer's Giant, a grand strain of German Pansies, immense in size, rich colors, profusion of bloom and sturdy, free growth. Mixed.

Pansy, Orchid-nowering, charming varieties in form ful: mixed.

Pansy, Brown's Giant, a very superior American strain; mammoth flowers.

exquisite in color and variegation; mixed.

Petinia, Park's Mammoth, single and double, finest strain, all varieties, mixed. I can also supply the Plain and Fringed and

Double separately.

Petunia, New Magnifica, the finest dwarf bedding sorts, very free-blooming, and make a gorgeous bed of the finest colors and variegations; mixed. **Petunia**, Medium · flow-

ered Double, mixed colors, splendid varieties, easily grown; mixed.

Phlox Drummondil, largeflowered sorts in finest mixture; splendid for finest beds, blooming all summer. Hortensiæflora mixed; Cuspidate and Fringed, mixed; Semi double, mixed; and Dwarf Compact, mixed. See Park's Floral Guide.

Poppy, annual, Park's Giant Carnation-flowered, a splendid race, three feet high, bearing huge, feathery, globular flowers, of a wonderful variety of colors and variegations. Mxd. Pæony-flowered, very large, beautiful, double flowers of many rich

colors; mixed.
Cardinal Poppy, 18 inches; elegant fringed flowers:

finest mixed colors. Poppy, Shirley, exquisite single flowers in the finest colors, with yellow stamens. Mixed. I also have New Dwarf Shirley, mixed. Polygonum Orientalis, 6

feethigh, tree-like; flowers tail-like, drooping, white and carmine, mixed. I can also supply dwarf mixed.

are a gorgeous sheet of bloom in summer; white, rose, carmine, scarlet, yel-low, salmon, blotched, striped, single mixed, also double mixed,

Ricinus, Castor Oil Bean, tali, beautiful ornamentalleaved plants, elegant a bed or screen. Arboreus, 15 feet; Gibsoni, red, 5 feet; Sanguineus, 8 feet; Zanzibariensis mixed, 6 feet; all kinds mixed. Rudbeckia, splendid

hardy perennials blooming first season; fall-blooming; glorious in a bed. Newmanii, yellow, z feet; Sullivanti, golden, 3 feet; Bicolor, semiplena, yellow. 2 feet; all kinds mixed. Also Purpurea, purplish crimson, fine. Salvia Splendens, everblooming plants easily grown from seeds; daz-zling scarlet, very showy, unsurpassed for beds or pots. Grandiflora, large, scarlet; Giant Scarlet, four facts, which Bordano feet; Zurich, Bonfire, 2 mixed.

Salvia Coccinea nana compacta, a fine sort for pots, rich scarlet, free-blooming and handsome. Patens, blue; Sclarea, flesh; Azu-rea grandiflora, azure; mixed; Roemeriana, red; mixed.

Salpiglossis, New Emperor, elegant Petunia-like flowers upon erect, branching plants; very rich colored, yellow, rose, the results of the sales, and the sa blue, violet, all penciled; finest strain; separate or mixed. Also new dwf.mxd. cabiosa, Mourning Bride, a fine annual 3 feet high; flowers double, from white to red and blue and black, borne on long stems all season, showy in the garden and fine for cut-Separate or mixed. I can also supply dwarf, 1 foot high, fine for window nots or beds. Mixed.

enecio elegans, beautiful bedding annuals, double, free-blooming, 9 inches high; white, rose, blue, yellow, violet, etc. Mixed. fi. pl., creeping; flowers double, golden yellow, produced all season.

pretty, profuse-blooming, bright flowered annuals; mixed colors.



Schizanthus, new largeflowered hybrids; elegant varieties; two feet high, bushy covered with lovely fairy-like flowers of various colors; splendid.
Mixed. Also Wisetonensis excelsior, the improved beautiful new Butterfly Flower for pots. Mixed.

Portulaca, Flow ring Solanum, easily grown Moss, low, succulent plants; like sunshine, and plants; Giganteum, 6 feet sub-tropical; Ciliatum, orange fruits; Laciniatum violet, fruits yellow; Melongena, big fruits of various colors, as scarlet, striped, red, black, etc. All sorts mixed. Silene pen dula, finest dwarf, double-flowered

sorts; appear like cushions of exquisite bloom; fine for edging and beds, Mxd. Sedum cœruleum, stone

crop, very pretty.

Sphenogyne speciosa.

Daisy-like flowers in fine
yellow shades; free-blooming fine for beds.

most perfect annuals; easily grown, free and con-tinuous-blooming, fine in texture, rich in color, liciously scented, double as a Rose, and borne in spikes. Everybody should grow them. New Mam-moth, 3 feet, mixed; Dward German, 1 foot, mixed: Giant of Nice, 2 feet, mxd; Glant of Nice, z recognized.

Dwarf Bouquet, I foot,
mixed; Giant Perfection,
2 feet, mixed. All varieties
mixed. For others see
Park's Floral Guide, p. 35.

Tropecolum, T. Thumb, Park's Floral Guide, F. Tropæolum, T. Thumb, 9 inches high, very showy, beautiful Nasturtiums, explant for beds and for cellent for beds and for pots and for cutting. Yel-low, crimson, scarlet, orange, blotched, rose, or mixed. I can also supply T. Lilliput, the new miniature-flowered Nas-



Verbena, Large-flowered. Fragrant. These start readily from seeds, soon begin to bloom, and are showy till after frost. The many-colored flowers in clusters are fragrant and beautiful; fine for beds and pots. Choice hybrids mixed; Mammoth mixed; Compact mixed; all sorts mixed.
Virginia Stock, very free

blooming annuals for beds or pots; grow in masses; white, rose, carmine, mxd. Valerian, fragrant, 2 feet high; lovely little flowers, white, rose, scarlet, in clusters; called Garden Heliotrope.

Venidium calendula ceum, a splendid low annual for beds or borders; flowers large, Daisy-like, rich golden yellow, freely borne all season.

Vinca rosea, a foot high; glossy green foliage and clusters of Phlox-like flowers; fine for beds and pots; good winter-bloomer; white, white with eye, rose

mixed.

wiscaria oculata, showy annuals for growing in masses; white, blue, rose, crimson, spotted, mixed.

beautiful, fragrant flowers for beds; endure sun better than Pansies, and bloom as freely; white, yellow, blue, mauve, azure, spotted and blotched, mxd.

Wallfaveer: Parisian Canara Greener 15 feet levery vear. The plants are

Wallflower, Parisian, a charming sort blooming four or five months sowing; hardy, and will bloom the next season; yellow, cream, brown, blood-red, mixed. Whitlavia, lovely annuals

a foot high; bell-shaped, free-blooming; white,

blue, mixed.

Zinnia, Finest Improved
Double. Mammoth, 4 feet high, huge double flowers high, huge double Howers of many colors mixed; Bedding Zinnias, very free-blooming, double, everblooming, fine for beds; Miniature, small double flowers, mixed colors; Benary's Striped; Crista with curled netals. Colors: Benary's Striped; Crispa, with curled petals, like a Japan Aster, mixed; Lilliput, small double flowers, fine for cutting. Mixed; all sorts mixed.

#### ORNAMENTAL GRASSES.

These are fine in beds, and very useful for bouquets, green or dry. All are easily grown. I have all the leading sorts.
Agrostis nebulosa,

Agrosus neodiosa, rui-chella; Avena, Animated Oat; Brachypodium; Briza Maxima, Minima, Genicu-lata; Brizopyrum; Bromus brizæformis; Chi o ropsis; Euchlæna luxurians; Hordeum, Job's Tears, Lagurus or Hare's Tail, Melica, Panicum altissimum, Virgatum, sulcatum and plicatum, Stipa or Feather Grass, Tricho-læna, Erianthus Ravennæ, Gynerium argenteum, Zea Japonica gigantea quadri-color or Striped Corn, Zizanla aquatica, etc.

#### EVERLASTING FLOWERS.

Cut and dried these are fine for winter bouquets, as they retain their color and form. They from seeds. They are easily grown

from seeds.
Acroclinium, double, rose,
white, mixed; Ammobium
alatum, white; Gomphrena
or German Clover, white,
yellow, flesh, variegated, carmine, mixed; Gypsophila,
small rose and white flowers,
wixed; Wallingtrum, golden mixed: Helipterum, golden clusters: Helichrysum, Strawflower, white, rose, crimson, scarlet, yellow, salmon, purple, tallor dwarf, double, mixed; Gnaphalium, Edelweis, white; Rhodanthe, white, rose, crimson, mixed; Statice Suworowi, Latifolia, Superba, mixed; Waitzia, yellow; Xeranthemum, dou-ble, white, rose, purple, mixed. See Park's Floral Guide for full descriptions.

#### ORNAMENTAL CLIMBERS.

These clothe and beautify walls, fences and unsightly buildings, and are needed to make a house cozy and home-like. Always get seeds of some of these. Cardiospermum, Bal-

loon Vine, grows eight feet Bryonopsis laciniosa, Morning Glory, Japanese.
I make a specialty of these superb vines, and can supply all the fine varieties, separate or mixed. See Park's Floral Guide. Free.

porch or wall, or house.

Canary Oreeper, 15 feet high, a sort of Nasturtium Cypress Vine, 8 feet high: Convolvulus, Morning Glory, the old-fashioned, Gourds and Cucumbers.

These are fine for covering unsightly buildings or fences or trees, and some of the more delicate may be used to drape the porch. Cucumus flexuosa is Snake Cucumber; Cyclanthera explodens and pedata are tall, fine climbers; Echinocystis lobata is the Wild Cucumber; Lagenaria vul-garis is Dipper Gourd; also Hercules Club, Dish, Sugar Trough, Egg. Can-non Ball, and Pipe Gourd.

Gourd, Apple, Lemon, Gooseberry; striped, Pear, green-ringed, red-striped; Luffa, the Dish-rag Gourd; Momordica, Balsam Apple and Balsam Pear; Tricos-anthes or Snake Gourd; Hundred-weight, mixed colors; Small Fancy Gourds, for child ren's toys; also all kinds mixed. Any of these separate, or

all in mixture.

Humulus Variegata, Jap. an Hop, a free growing, beautiful foliage climber; 20 feet, panicles of bloom. 20 feet, panicles of bloom. Iponmea Coccinea, the small, scarlet and white Morning Glory; rapid climber; flowers open all day. Also Limbata, rich blue, edged white; Leari; Violacea vera. All mixed. Lophospermum scandens a fine blooming vine. dens, a fine blooming vine.

Moon Vine, the white, large-flowered sort; also the small, rose-flowered or Evening Glory. Mixed.

Manrandya. 10 feet; done wish foliage thickly faurandya. 10 feet; dense, rich foliage, thickly set in autumn with hang-ing bells of rose, white and purple vine; mixed.

Scarlet Runner, a fast-growing, handsome vine. Sweet Pea. Improved treef Pea. Improveu Large-flowered. I supply the finest mixtures of named Sweet Peas, all large-flowered, improved. There are no finer mix-tures, as I have an im-mense collection of the finest varieties. I supply finest varieties. I supply mixtures of white, red. pink, light blue, dark blue, shaded and margined, yel snaded and margined, yellow and salmon, red-striped, blue-striped. Cupid sorts, at 5 cts. each mixture, or the ten mix-tures for 25 cts. Also, Com-plete Special Mixture 1-4 lb. 25c, oz. 10c. pkt. 5c. Tropæolum. Giant Climb-

ing, vigorous in growth, bearing large, bright flowers, white, yellow, orange, rose, scarlet, crimson, brown, bronze, blotched, separate or mixed.

Tropæolum. Lobb's Climbing, very free-blooming, rich colored varieties of great beauty; finest mixture, oz. 15 cents.

mixture, oz. 15 cents.

Thunbergia alata, freeblooming and beautiful; 8
feet high, a mass of handsome foliage and richcolored blooms. Mixed.

These are the poor man's flowers." for when once established in the garden they will take care of themselves, and bloom freely every year. The plants are easily grown from seeds.

Achillea. Pearl, white; filipendula, yellow; millifolium roseum, rose; mxd.

Aconitium. Monkshood.

finest varieties, mixed.

Adenophora, Campanu-la-like, handsome, mixed. Adlumia cirrhosa, lovely biennial vine; 15 feet high; exquisite foliage; clusters of waxy pink flowers; does well in shade.



Arabis alpina, a charming early spring flower; clusters of pure white flowers; long bloomers.

Authrietia, trailing, carpeting the ground in spring with lovely reals.

with lovely violet or blue flowers. Mixed.

flowers. Mixed.

grostemma coronaria,
two feet; mixed.

Gold Dust: gold-Alyssum, Gold Dust; gold-

en clusters upon dwarf, compact plants.

compact plants.

Anchusa, Dropmore and others, mixed.

Aster, Perennial, Large-flowered; mixed.

flowered; mixed. Campanula. Canterbury Bell, 2 feet high, branching, and showing a mass of big, lovely bells, single or double; blue, white, rose, striped; mixed. Also Calycanthema sorts mxd. Campanula Pyramidalis, Turbinata, Persicifolia. Carpathica, Glomerata, Rotundifolia, etc., sepa.

Rotundifolia, etc., separate or mixed.

Carnation, Improved Garden, Double, mixed. Coreopsis, splendid, gold-en flowers; fine to cut. Chrysanthemum, New

Single-flowered, mixed. Delphinium. Perennial

Detpriment. Perennial Larkspur, mixed.
Digitalis, Foxglove, spikes of lovely drooping bells, white, lilac, rose, purple, yellow; mixed.
Gaillardia grandiflora,

finest mixed Genm, 2 feet high; scarlet;

fine varieties, mixed.

Gypsophila panic ulata,
2 feet; firy-like white
bloom on delicate stems,
Also new Double-flowered. Hollyhock, Chater's, fin-

est double, mixed. libiscus, Mehan's brids, 6 feet, mixed.

Leucanthemum, Shasta
Daisy, Etoile D'Anvers;
also Alaska, California Westralia, etc., mixed

Limm Flavum, yellow; Lewisii, blue; Perenne, Lewisii, blue; Perenne, white and blue; Narbonense, deep blue. Mixed.

Poppy. Perennial, a mix-ture of 25 finest named sorts; immense flowers on strong stems, 3 feet high; perfectly hardy, bloom in early summer, splendid.

Primula, hardy, mixed.

Physalis Franchetti, Chinese Lantern, red.

Pyrethrum, New brids, finest mixed. New Hy-

Pentstemon, finest varieties, mixed.

latycodon, superb sorts. Blue, White, mixed. Pinks, Carnations and Picotees, hardy, mixed.

Ficotees, hardy, mixed.

Polemonium, Jacob's

Ladder, blue, white, mixed.

Rehmannia, new hybrids, beautiful, mixed.

Rocket, Sweet, splendid,
Phlox-like, fragrant, mix'd.

Salvia, Hardy, choice mxd.

Scabiosa caucasica, mixed.

Silene orientalis. mixed.

Silene orientalis, mixed. Sweet William, single, dou-

ble, mixed. 'erbascum, 5 feet, mixed. Wallflower, hardy, mixed.
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Abrus precatorius, Prayer Bean, pretty vine, red seed. Acucia lophantha, Fern

Tree, beautiful.

Agathæa, Paris Dalsy, fine blue, winter bloom.

Angelonia Grand iflora, white, red, fine for pots.

Asparagus Sprengerl, fine for pots.

fine plant for pots, vases.
Plumosus, lovely Lace
Fern, exquisite foliage.
Tenuissimus, fine for pots.

Tenuissimus, fine for pots.
Superbus, very beautiful.
All sorts mixed.
Browallia, large-flowered, blue, white, mixed.
Boston Smilax, lovely trellis vine, fine to cut,
Begonias, all sorts, mixed.
Calceolaria, large-flowered, splendid, mixed.
Carnation, Winter-blooming, mixed.

ing, mixed. Chrysanthemum,

Fall, Double, fine mixed.
Coleus, splendid, Fancy
sorts, mixed. New Willow-leaved, new.

very beautiful, mixed. splendid, finest mixed.
Cyclamen. Large-flowered, finest mixed.
Cyperus, Umbrella Plant,

cyperus, Umbrella Plant, graceful foliage, mixed. Enpatorium, winter-blooming, mixed. Fuchsia, Hybrids, mixed. Gloxinia grandiflora, finate mixed Scale and the state of the scale and scal est mixed. Seeds small.

Gazania grandiflora, finest mixed. Fine for pots.

Heliotrope, all colors, large sorts mixed. New Regal, large-flowered, all colors, mixed.

Lantana, Talland Dwarf, finest mixed.

Lobelia, new sorts, for baskets, mixed.

Vicotiana, New Hybrids,

mixed. Primula, New French

Giant, mixed. Obconica gigantea, mixed.

Grandiflora, fine, mixed. Grandiflora, fine, mixed Forbesi and Malacoides. Grandiflora, "Butter-cup", Verticillata, Kerensis, Sieboldii, all pretty.

Rivinia, pretty scarlet

Sicainsonia, vines, rose,

white; mixed. rose, mixed.

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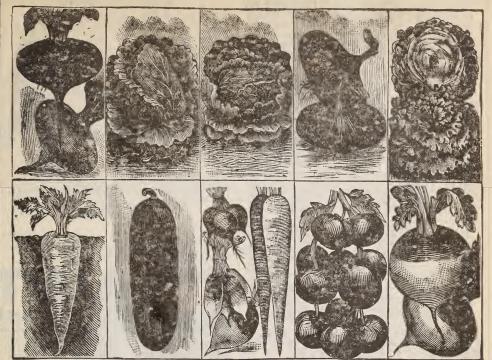
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